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Delhi Talks 'Progress'

ENQUIRY MAY BE CONDUCTED

Nehru Confers With Colleagues

NEW DELHI, April 3 (PTI).

THE talks between Pandit Nehru and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan are reported to have registered "progress" and according to informed quarters there has been "agreement on several points" regarding the minorities problems in East and West Bengal and Assam.

In an atmosphere of cautious optimism the talks which entered the second day today will be resumed tomorrow and carried on the fourth day as well, if necessary, it is learned.

Pandit Nehru had a two and a half hour meeting with Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan and later conferred with his Cabinet colleagues at the residence of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. In the morning there was an informal meeting of the Cabinet in the Prime Minister's room in the Council Hall.

Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan dined with Pandit Nehru at the Prime Minister's residence. Other members of the Cabinet also attended the dinner.

PREVENTION

For the first time today the Prime Minister's Secretariat issued a joint press communique in which reference has been made to "devising ways and means that would solve the immediate and urgent problem of restoring a full sense of confidence among the minorities in these areas".

According to informed quarters this would refer to the setting up of a cachinery to inquire into the origin and extent of the disorders in these areas and to suggest means of preventing their recurrence.

The points of agreement between the two Prime Ministers as had already been indicated both by Pandit Nehru and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan include the responsibility of both the Governments for the security and protection of minorities, punishing the guilty in the recent disturbances, compensation to the victims and their rehabilitation, recovery of looted property and punishing those who kept looted property. recovery of abducted women and punishment of rumour-mongers.

JOINT DECLARATION

The main point, however, on which an agreement should be reached, relates to the implementation of the desires of both the Governments.

The proposed joint declaration by both the Governments exvisaged the appointment of an inquiry committee presided over by a judge of the High Court and including a representative of the minorities to inquire into the origin and extent of the disturbances in each country and to suggest means of preventing their recurrence.

NO POST MORTEM

According to lobby talks what is aimed at is not a 'post mortem' of the recent disturbances but, the taking of active steps which would not only put an end to communal violence in the future but would also punish persons responsible for the recent disturbances. Some kind of machinery for this purpose is understood to have been discussed at today's talks but further consideration of this point appears to be necessary.

It was hoped that the current talks would include a solution for the rest of the Indo-Pakistan differences. It now appears in view of the urgency of the Bengal problem. priority has been given to the restoration or normal conditions in these areas. Once there is a satisfactory settlement on this question, it is stated. a proper atmosphere could be expected in which the rest of the outstanding issues could be discussed and resolved.

COMMUNIQUE

The following joint communique on behalf of the Prime Ministers of India and Pakistan was issued tonight from Pandit Nehru's Secretariat:

The conversations that began yesterday between the Prime Ministers of India and Pakistan were continued today in an atmosphere of frankness and cordiality.

The situation in East and West Bengal and Assam was reviewed primarily with a view to devising ways and means that would solve the immediate and urgent problem of restoring full sense of

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STEPS FOR SAFETY OF MINORITIES

Memo To Nehru

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, April 3.

How to create confidence in the Muslim minority in India and the Hindu minority in Pakistan is the basic issue before the Nehru-Liaquat conference now in session, here. The issue largely relates to what would make minorities feel safe in the two countries.

The Muslims of West Bengal in a memorandum to Nehru are reported to have made the following demands for their safety:

That thorough investigation be instituted at once into the 'communal killings'; that irresponsible statements be stopped and aggressively violent communal organisations like the Mahasabha and the RSS be banned; that inflammatory statements in Press and 'sinister comments and views on the communal situation' be controlled;

That distribution of unauthorised posters and handbills of a communal nature be stopped; that miscreants and culprits responsible for arson, loot, plunder and murder be severely punished; that mixed police pickets of Hindus and Muslims be posted in affected areas 'with powers to shoot at sight';

That an adequate number of Muslims be immediately drafted in the police force for the protection of minorities; that military occupation be taken of stations, aerodromes and other such important places; that minorities be supplied with arms for self-defence; that collective fines be imposed on the majority community in the affected areas; 'that minorities be adequately represented in the administrations of the state, specially in the police, judiciary and the executive and that the West Bengal cabinet be immediately be made broad based.

REAL PEACE

One view here is that similar steps if taken by Pakistan Government should create necessary confidence in the minorities and enable them to return to their homes. It is emphasised that in April 1950 the establishment of real peace between India and Pakistan is not merely a matter of important persons signing papers in New Delhi or Karachi.

Enduring and secure peace could be founded on justice, opportunities and freedom for all and particularly minorities both in India and Pakistan. Nehru's frantic appeals to Pakistan and Liquat's present visit are pointers that both the countries fully realise the gravity of the situation and need for immediate action.

New Delhi is optimistic because the talks are so far proceeding in a friendly climate. The Prime Minister is keeping his colleagues fully posted with developments.

TELEPHONE EXCHANGE IN HUBLI

No Reduction In Working Hours

HUBLI, April 3 (PTI): The Post Master-General, Bombay, in a letter to the Karnataka Chamber of Commerce, Hubli, has communicated his decision not to cut down the hours as stated in earlier orders reducing telephone working hours in Hubli-Dharwar and Gadag exchanges from April 1st (from midnight to 7 a.m.)

SELF-GOVERNMENT FOR TRINIDAD

LONDON, April 3 (PTI-Reuter):—Self-Government for the West Indian colony of Trinidad and Tobago is proclaimed in an Order-in-Council laid before the British Parliament today.

Whites Will Get It Back

LONDON, April 3.

WEST INDIES cricketer Learie Constantine today warned Britain that Africans would not take attacks on their rights lying down. In future, he said, they would take reprisals on the white man.

"If the black man is going to be kicked about in the streets of London, then the white man is going to be kicked about in Gold Coast and Nigeria. We are not going to put up with this inferior status because we are black."

Mr. Constantine added: "Get ready; the balloon will burst."

RECORD FLIGHT HELD UP

Plane Develops Engine Trouble

CALCUTTA, April, 3 (PTI): The American couple Mr. and Mrs. Bixby, now on a round the world record flight who reached Dum Dum this morning and took off after an hour's halt at 12-54 p.m. today returned to Dum Dum in the afternoon owing to engine trouble.

It is stated that after they had proceeded about 200 miles from Calcutta the engine started giving trouble and the fliers had to return to Dum Dum reaching here at about 4 p.m.

The engine is now being attended to and it is expected that the couple will start for Tokyo again tomorrow morning.

U.P. POLICE OFFICIAL MURDER CASE

Life Sentence For 8 Persons

CHAPRA, April 3 (UPI)—Judgment was delivered in the U.P. Police Inspector Murder Case, by Shri H. K. Chowdhury, Additional Sessions Judge Chapra, sentencing eight persons to transportation for life, one to five years rigorous imprisonment and one to four years rigorous imprisonment and acquitting the remaining 21 accused.

The prosecution story was that on March 14, 1949 Police Inspector, Awadh Behary Singh, of Deoria in U. P. had gone to arrest Rambriksh Tewary, an absconder. , He was surrounded by a mob of over 20 persons, who succeeded n rescuing Ram Briksh Tewary from the custody. The mob then attacked the police party. The Police Inspector opened fire in self-defence and when his cartridges were exhausted the mob caught hold of him and mercilessly killed him.

CUT IN DOLLAR OIL PURCHASES

Secret Conference In London

LONDON, April 3 (PTI-Reuter).

A Secret Commonwealth Conference ended in London today after deciding on concrete proposals to cut dollar oil purchases in favour of sterling, it was learned here.

Delegates of nine countries unanimously approved a curtailment programme to be sent to their Governments for confirmation or otherwise.

No official announcement was made, and the actual figures of the proposed cuts were not divulged. The countries represented at the Conference were Britain, Australia, Canada, Ceylon, India, New Zealand, Pakistan, South Africa and Southern Rhodesia. Today's was the fifth session of the conference, which began a week ago in White Hall.

The Conference was understood to have been mainly concerned with the financial aspects of the sterling area oil position. The delegates were believed to have examined the supply position of sterling oil and to have reached their decision to propose cuts in the purchase of dollar oil on the basis of the proportionate availability of sterling oil. The Conference was not concerned with any oil development or prospecting programmes, but dealt with oil simply as a limited commodity for which there is a world-wide demand. The British Government now awaits the replies of the eight Commonwealth Governments to the Conference's proposal.

Power Alcohol

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, April 3. (PTI.

DR. SYama Prasad Mookerjee, Minister of Industry and Supply, said in Parliament today in reply to Seth Govind Das that power alcohol production in India would be increased in 1950 to 60 lakh gallons compared to over 42 lakh gallons in 1949.

Mr. Mahavir Tyagi:—Is it a fact that in connection with some agreement with petrol companies the manufacture of power alcohol has been restricted?

Dr. Mookerjee: No.

Dr. Mookerjee added that Government had worked out a formula for the use of power alcohol which would apply to almost all the States.

DELHI TALKS FEATURED IN U. S. PRESS

NEW YORK, April 3 (PTI-Reuter).

THE American Press today gave prominence to reports from New Delhi of the meeting of Prime Minister Liaquat Ali Khan of Pakistan with Indian Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

Most newspapers gave the reports top page showings.

The 'New York Times' spread its correspondent's despatch across five columns of an inside news page, with the headings: "Pakistan Chief in India for talks", and "Liaquat Ali and Nehru to study clashes by minority groups and other key issues".

The 'New York Daily News' gave similar important display to the story under the heading "India, Pakistan huddle to end border clashes".

The 'Baltimore Sun' in an editorial said that economic recovery in Asia, Europe and the rest of the non-Communist world depended in a large measure on peace between India and Pakistan.

"Peace in the sub-continent of India" said the article "is more than ever a condition precedent to the success of our plan for world recovery".

The 'New York Times' in an editorial said: "All those who wish Indians and Pakistanis well will be watching most closely the course of the New Delhi discussions. If a really broad understanding can be reached an important step towards stability and peace will have been taken".

Caught In A Happy Mood

They were smiling—both Pandit Nehru and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan when India's Prime Minister recei ved Pakistan's Chief Executive, at Palam aerodrome on April 2.

ARSON CASES IN HOWRAH

Red Cross Workers Attacked

CALCUTTA, April 3. (PTI).

ONE person was killed when the police opened fire on some miscreants, stated to be responsible for some arson cases in a village in Amta police station of the district of Howrah. Excepting this, there was no other incident in Howrah or Calcutta today.

A Red Cross van containing some workers is reported to have been attacked by a mob in the interior of Howrah District. The Additional District Magistrate and the Deputy Inspector-General of Police have rushed to the spot with a large force. No details have yet been reported.

In Mahestala police station of 24-Parganas District, there was a clash between two parties resulting in a few injuries on both sides. Some cases of arson have been reported from the interior of Malda District.

Announcing this, a West Bengal Government press note tonight stated:—Government feel gratified to announce that a large number of employees of jute mills in Howrah have been returning to work for the last two days. In view of the improved situation, Government have asked the jute mills to postpone by a week the agreed period of ten days annual leave, which had been announced to commence on April 7, and the mills have agreed to this postponement.

ANTI-STATE WORK

Three persons were produced today before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Calcutta, for anti-state activities and remanded to custody pending further investigation.

The accused persons were arrested in Taltola area while, it is alleged, found distributing "highly inflammatory leaflets issued by the Pakistan Ansar Bahini preaching violence against non-Muslims". Following searches of their houses some more prejudicial leaflets and documents, and some rifle cartridges, were seized.

JAYNAGAR INCIDENTS

The Government of West Bengal, it is learnt, are now in communication with the East Bengal Government with regard to the recent incidents near Jaynagar, the last railway point on the Indian border, about 50 miles from Calcutta.

In one of these incidents some Pakistan armed police oppened fire on relief workers resulting in one death and injury to several others. In another incident some huts erected by relief organisations were set on fire by some armed Pakistani police and Ansars.

STRANDED REFUGEES

Three of the fifteen steamers, commissioned by the Government of West Bengal for evacuation of stranded East Bengal refugees in various stations of the province, will leave Barisal for Calcutta tomorrow, reaching here this week end, according to information available here.

Other steamers are expected to start for Calcutta with refugees from Narayanaganj and Chandpur in a day or two.

The crowd at Khulna, estimated to be 10,000 last week, has since increased considerably in view of a number of incidents occurring in some villages about five miles from Khulna town, it is learnt.

According to information received here officially, nearly a lakh of refugees have entered Tripura (India) from various places in Eastern Pakistan.

BORDER DEFENCE

Mrs. Lila Roy, Secretary of the East Bengal Minority Welfare Central Committee, urged the State Government to take adequate security and defence measures in the areas bordering East and West Bengal.

In a statement to the press Mrs.

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EAST BENGAL ISSUE TO BE DISCUSSED

Congress Cabinet To Meet

NEW DELHI, April 3, (UPI): A comprehensive agenda containing about 20 items will be placed before the Congress Working Committee when it meets here on April 5, at 8-30 a.m., at the residence of Sardar Patel. it is learnt.

The question of minorities in East Bengal may loom large in the discussions by the Congress High Command, when three members of the Working Committee.. Pandit Nehru, Dr. Profulla Chandra Ghose and Srimati Sucheta Kripalani are expected to give reports to the Working Committee on the condition of thousands of refugees coming from East Bengal as also on various issues connected with their rehabilitation

The forthcoming sitting of the Working Committee, it is reliable learnt, well decide the venue of the next session of the Indian National Congress. In this connection, it is understood that in all probability the choice of the venue of the next plenary session may fall on Bangalore. The last meeting of the A. I. C. C. it may be recalled, decided that the next plenary session of the Congress should be held by the last week of June or by the first feek of July, 1950.

Madras Munisterial politics might also figure in the agenda.

105 Houses Burnt Down In Patna Fire

PATNA, April 3 (PTI): One hundred and five thatched houses were gutted, when fire broke out in a Harijan colony in Sahibgang in Santhal Parganas on Saturday last, according to a report received here. Eighty-six families were rendered homeless. The damage is estimated at about Rs. 50,000. Fanned by a strong wind, the fire burnt down the huts in half an hour. Most of the inmates of the huts were out at the time. The cause of the fire is not known.

A MARTYR

CALCUTTA, April 3 (UPI)—Medical students today carried the body of Shri Anil Biswas in a procession from the Campbell Hospital to the Nimtollah Burning Ghat and cremated it there.

Shri Anil Biswas, a fourth year medical student, succumbed during the small hours of this morning to the bullet injury he had received at Jainagar border due to firing by a Pakistan armed guard. Shri Biswas had been fired upon while engaged in relief work.

A wreath was placed on the bier on behalf of the West Bengal Governor by an A.D.C.

KANPUR STRIKE CALLED OFF

Protest Against Arrests

KANPUR, April 3 (PTI): Workers of the Riverside Power House who had gone on a lightning strike this morning resumed work unconditionally in the evening.

The strike was called in protest against the arrests of eight workers for alleged "conspiracy to damage the power house". Nearly 60,000 millhands were rendered idle as the mills had to be closed owing to non-availability of electricity.

The Electric Supply Administration and the local authorities requisitioned the services of some workers from the Kanpur Development and the Municipal Boards and police constables to keep up the supply of power to essential services.

Meanwhile appeals were made through loud speakers to small industries such as oil mills, flour mills, cinema houses and others to close down to save electricity for domestic services and essential supplies such as water works, printing presses, hospitals and big mills.

Armed police pickets had also been posted to guard the power house against any possible mischief.

FIRE IN KIRKEE ARMY DEPOT

Cause Unknown

POONA, April 3, (UPI): A fire broke out at 5-15 this evening in the vehicle sub-depot attached to the Central Armoured Fighting Vehicle Depot, Kirkee.

Fire-fighting engines and the staff of the army establishment in Kirkee and Dehu Road were immediately rushed to the scene of fire. Two fire-fighting engines from the Poona City and one from Poona Cantonment Board were also sent to Kirkee to help bring the fire under control.

Till nine in the night the fire was still smouldering.

The cause of the fire is being investigated by the Depot Authorities.

The extent of damage as a result of this fire is not yet known.

VIET MINH FORCES REPULSED

Most Violent Yet Attack

SAIGON, April 3, (PTI-Reuter): An offensive by Viet Minh insurgent forces, described here as their "most violent yet", has ended in a "burning defeat", a French communique said today.

The offensive has been raging for over a week in the Travinh Province, about 70 miles south of here.

"Very good results" were obtained when French aircraft battled to free a light reconnaissance group attacked by a strong Viet Minh force, the communique said.

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No. 396|1,
Bombay, 3rd April, 1950. 7505

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THE THREE MONTHS' COURSE of Instruction for the Calcutta L.T.M. Examination will begin from 15th July, 1950. Applications for admission should reach the Director, School of Tropical Medicine, Calcutta by 30th April, 1950. Candidates with War Service to their credit should apply through the Administrative Officers of their provinces for financial concessions for the prosecution of their studies. 7502

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
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I.C. No. 134 of 1950

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AND

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THAKORDAS DARU HEMANY & CO.,
Attorneys for the Petitioners.

Alli Chambers, First Floor, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay. 7504

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Red Violence In Four Andhra Districts

CENTRE ASKED TO STEP IN AND RESTORE ORDER

APCC Deplores State Government's Inability

MADRAS, April 3 (PTI).

THE Executive Committee of the Andhra Provincial Congress which met at Chittoor yesterday, adopted a resolution expressing concern over the "two-year-old Communist campaign of violence in certain parts of Andhradesa and the recent Communist raids on villages."

The Committee requested the Government of India "to undertake the primary responsibility of maintaining law and order in those areas by taking over the administration of the police, law and order there".

The districts chiefly affected by the lawlessness and violence are Krishna, Guntur, East Godavari and West Godavari.

Prof. N. G. Ranga, President of the A.P.C.C., who presided over the Executive Committee meeting yesterday at Chittoor told the PTI that the Committee had urged the Government of India to take over the police administration of the "Communist-infested" areas as it was convinced that, in the light of what was happening in the Andhra Districts, it was "beyond the resources of the State Government to root out the Communist violence".

The Working Committee, therefore, he said, passed the resolution requesting the Central Government "to come to the rescue of the State Government and take charge of the responsibility of the Home Department of the State in so far as the Communist-infested areas of the Andhradesa were concerned."

ORGANISED RAIDS

Prof. Ranga stated: "For the past about two years, the Andhra Provincial Congress Committee has been fighting the Communist violence in Andhradesa. The results, however, have not been favourable. On the other hand, the intensity and frequency of the organised and violent Communist attacks on the rural people of Krishna, Guntur, East Godavari and West Godavari Districts are on the increase and larger and larger areas in rural parts are coming to be the victims of their terror. We receive reports from very many villages that even ransom is being extracted from people for immunity from Communist attacks".

"It is not individual Communists", he said, "who perpetrate these outrages, but large bands of well-organised Communists who make the raids on villagers and wreak vengeance on such of those villagers who have had the courage to resist their demands of ransom or for arms and booty and also who are patriotic and bold enough to give information to police about the violent attacks of the Communists and their whereabouts."

GUERILLA TYPE

"If it is only occasional raids by a group of Communists who get together just for a venture, the local or the special police could be expected to deal with them. But as it is, the Communist violence in Andhradesa has reached the tempo and trend of a guerilla warfare and there can be no doubt as to the intention of the Communists. Even while they gain temporary booty in the shape of money, jewels and arms, they wish to establish their regime or superimpose their own power and terror over the normal authorities of the State and gain a spring board for widening and intensifying their strength and stability for further attack upon other areas in the neighbourhood."

"It is under these circumstances", Mr. Ranga said, "the Working Committee of the A.P.C.C. has felt itself obliged to appeal to the Government of India to step in and aid the State Government to re-establish law and order and reassure the masses of safety of life and property and enjoyment of civil rights. It is not fair for the Central or the State Government to complain of lack of co-operation from the local people, because it is indeed the local people who had till now been warding off the Communists and preventing them from establishing their regime and from executing the evil designs of their so-called 'People's Government'.

"But unfortunately, the special police who have been sent down to those places have not behaved as well as they should. They have even failed in certain places to secure the goodwill and spontaneous support of local people by their own intemperate and wreckless behaviour.

Prof. Ranga added: "It may take some time before the Central Government can make up their mind to undertake the primary responsibility of putting down Communist violence. Therefore, in the meanwhile, I would appeal once again to the Madras Government to make a determined effort to take advantage of this to develop Home Guards and to strictly control and discipline their own police forces and thus at least even if they cannot completely root out the menace to our rural masses."

Several Drowned In Boat Accident

KHAGARIA (Bihar), April 3 (UPI): Several persons are reported to have lost their lives in a boat accident in the river Gandak on Saturday morning. The boat with about 40 passengers sank in the mid-stream when it was proceeding from Khagaria towards the other bank.

Before reaching the other side of the river, it is said, the boat capsized all of a sudden. The boatman jumped into the river asking all the people to follow him. But most of the victims were women who did not know swimming. One grown-up girl, it is said, managed to rescue herself as she knew swimming well.

The Sub-Divisional Officer and Inspector of Police rushed to the place of occurrence immediately.

Over Rs. 2 Lakhs Surplus For PEPSU

PATIALA, April 3, (UPI): A surplus of Rs. 2,49,600 in the PEPSU Budget for 1950-51 was disclosed today in a statement issued by Sardar Gian Singh Rarewala, Chief Minister, PEPSU, who also holds the Finance portfolio.

The financial estimates of the State for the year show a total income of Rs. 5,01,70,700 as against an expenditure of Rs. 4,99,21,100.

The redeeming feature of the new budget is greater provision for expenditure on beneficient activities of the Government, especially on education, medical and public health.

A sum of Rs. 5 lakhs to form a nucleous of the fund for financing the establishment of Patiala University for which purpose an experts committee has already been set up has also been included in the budget.

ARMY MEDICAL CORPS PRAISED

Baldev Singh At Anniversary Celebrations

POONA, April 3, (PTI): The Defence Minister, Sardar Baldev Singh, today paid glowing tributes to men and officers of Army Medical Corps, who, he said, had served in all theatres of war wherever the Indian Army fought and shared in their laurels.

In Kashmir, he said, their work was as praiseworthy as of any modern army. The Defence Minister also referred to the sterling work done by the corps in "evacuating unnumbered masses of uprooted men, women and children following the Partition and later in organising the health services in refugee camps."

The Defence Minister made a search Team of the Corps and said the experience gained then would be of value not only to armed forces but to the general public at large. "I hope", he added, "those of you who have the opportunity will apply your mind whenever possible to the larger field of medical research in the field as well as in your laboratory".

Sardar Baldev Singh was addressing a ceremonial parade held on the Poona Race course ground in celebration of the seventh anniversary of the Corps which was created on April 3, 1943.

THE PARADE

Over 800 members of the corps took part in the parade witnessed by a large gathering including high military officers.

Sardar Baldev Singh, who flew from Bombay to Poona this morning, was received on the parade ground by Lieut-General K. S. Master, Director-General of Armed Forces Medical Services. After reviewing the parade in a jeep, the Defence Minister decorated Major G. D. Koshal with a military cross and Lieut. A. S. Y. Bhagwat, M.B.E. before addressing the parade.

The Defence Minister later visited the Artificial Limb Centre, the Armed Forces Medical College and the Army Medical Corps Centre where he was presented with a crest of the Corps as a souvenir of his visit to Poona to take part in the anniversary celebrations.

WOMAN DIES ON OPERATION TABLE

Doctor's Attempt To Save Her Proves Futile

BOMBAY, Monday.

The tragic death of a young married woman while undergoing an operation in the J. J. Hospital, has been reported to the City Coroner.

It appears that Shakuntalabai, aged 18, the wife of one Shivram was suffering from some abdominal trouble.

Her husband, therefore, brought her to the Petit Hospital—one of the J.J. Group of Hospitals. She was admitted in the Hospital.

Medical opinion on her case showed that hers was a case of sterility. The diagnosis over, the doctors decided that she should be operated upon.

Accordingly, it is stated, on March 27th, she was taken to the "Operation Theatre" and after anaesthesia was administered, operated upon.

She is said to have collapsed while the operation was being performed.

The doctors who were by her side, are learnt to have put her on Oxygen Gas immediately, but to no avail.

The City Coroner is holding an inquest.

Police Cost Nearly Two Crores To U.P.

KANPUR April 2. (PTI): According to the 1949-50 annual report of the Home Department (Police) schemes of police wireless department fire service motor transport section State armed constabulary railway protection police and ticketless prevention police have cost Uttar Pradesh Rs. 1,95,44,800.

India To Supply Coal To Australia

BOMBAY, April 3 (UPI).

India is shortly to receive a demand for its coal from Australia, it was authoritatively learnt here today

Australia intends to import coal from overseas and a recent conference of Commonwealth Ministers and representative of Government of Victoria and South Australia is reported to have approved of the calling of tenders, by Australia, for the importation of coal upto 500,000 tons It is understood that most of the coal would be imported from India which has some exportable surplus.

U. S. Expedition To Pakistan

Postponed Because Of "Disturbed Conditions"

NEW YORK, April 2, (PTI-Reuter): An American expedition, led by explorer Carveth Wells, to Northern Pakistan and Kashmir, which was due to begin in June, has been postponed until September "because of the disturbed conditions in Kashmir"

Mr. Welles made this announcement when he arrived here by air last night after a visit to Karachi. He had gone there "to make arrangements with the Pakistan Government for the expedition."

He said that the expedition, sponsored by the Explorers Club, was "for the purpose of seeking strategic materials".

The group would also travel to Baluchistan.

SIX SIKHS INJURED IN GANG FIGHT

SINGAPORE, April 3 (PTI): Six Sikhs were injured, one badly, in a gang fight between two small parties of Sikhs in the city's predominantly Indian area on Serangoon Road yesterday.

The contestants hit one another with six feet long lathis. Summoned by eye-witnesses, police were soon on the spot The Sikhs then quietly handed over their weapons to the constables and were taken to hospital.

The cause of the fight is not known.

MUNSHIS TO LEAVE FOR WEST COAST

NEW YORK, April 2 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. K. M. Munshi, M.P., and Mrs. Lilavati Munshi are expected to leave here on Tuesday to visit the West Coast of the United States

Mr. Munshi arrived in New York on March 24 to consult American doctors. He has been examined by ear specialists in New York and Baltimore and expects to have a second check up after his tour He visited Washington last week. He hoped to include San Francisco, Los Angeles and Chicago in his tour.

He said today that he had extended his stay in the United States and now expects to leave for London on May 3.

Another Pak Envoy In India

(From Our Correspondent.)

KARACHI, April 3: A suggestion for the appointment of an additional Deputy High Commissioner for Pakistan in India with his headquarters in Lucknow, has been made to the Pakistan authorities in order to safeguard the interests of the Muslims residing in Northern India.

The name of Chaudhuri Khaliquz-Zaman, President of the All-Pakistan Muslim League, has been suggested for this post.

CHARGE OF CHEATING THE CHINA BANK

Deal In Black Pepper

BOMBAY, Monday.

TODAY is the twenty-seventh day of the hearing of one of the longest session cases conducted in Bombay known as the China Bank Cheating case wherein two city businessmen Aaron D. Abraham and Ramsing Jivansing Ahuja are charged with the offences of cheating and criminal breach of trust.

The prosecution alleged that Ramsing had arranged with the Bank of China to have an overdraft account upto Rs. 15,000 in 1944. By 1949 the limit of the overdraft amount was extended upto Rs 7,00,000.

In order to secure repayment of the overdrafts Ramsing agreed to deposit goods with the first accused Abraham, who was to hold them subject to the lien of the Bank All such goods were therefore to be stored and shipped under Ramsingh's instructions and all relevant documents were to be handed over to the Bank. Then the Bank, it was arranged, was to negotiate the documents with the foreign Banks that issued letters of credit so that when the complainant Bank realized the moneys it reimbursed itself and credited Ramsingh's account.

In 1949, as shipment was reported to be in arrears, the manager of the Bank asked the accused to expedite. Still, very little of shipment was carried out. Apprehending that there was something unsatisfactory about the affair, the Bank had a surprise checking on Abraham's godown and it is said that instead of 2,640 bags of black pepper only 835 bags were found

The Bank Manager asked Ramsingh to explain the shortage when the latter, it was alleged, replied that he was really sending lesser quantities but would clear the deficiency. Abraham also was alleged to have admitted the deficiency and he too, the prosecution narrated, promised to make up the loss.

On May 16, 1949, the Bank took inspection of other godowns where Ramsingh's other goods were lying under its lien. To its surprise the Bank could not find a single bag of linseed out of 702 bags, which were under its lein then. Moreover, out of 500 bags of other commodities only a nominal quantity, it is said, was found.

On May 23, 1949, once again the Bank wanted to check the 835 bags of pepper which were not yet shipped. The godown keeper informed the Bank officer that 400 bags of pepper were removed by Ramsingh and out of the remaining 435 bags, the prosecution stated, only 146 bags remained for shipment after cleaning the goods.

The Bank once again warned Abraham that shipment was not yet made and deficiency was not made up. A few days later, it removed the remaining goods which included only one bag of black pepper.

BANK'S WARNING

A complaint for cheating and criminal breach of trust was then filed against the accused.

Abraham stated in his defence that his firm did the work of a mere godown keeper. People put their goods in his godowns and he charged them for that. Hence, he was not liable for any shortage. He also stated that as Ramsingh's men were cleaning and packing goods the shortage may be due to dirt gathered therein for not less than 5 years.

Ramsingh stated that he used to send the correct quantity ready for shipping. Hence he cannot be asked to account for the loss.

In this case no less than 150 documents have already been exhibited.

The case is likely to be over by the week-end.

Mr. B. M. Mistry instructed by the Public Prosecutor appeared for the State. Mr. E. B. Ghaswala with Mr. Dalal and Mr. Shalim defends Abraham. K. A. Somji with Mr. V. H. Kamat and Mr. P. L. Bapat appears for Ramsingh.

NEW DELHI, April 3, (PTI): Prof. Shibban Lal Saksena, Labour leader, was cheered as he entered Parliament today at 11-5 a.m. for the first time since his recent fast in connection with the demands of Uttar Pradesh sugar workers.

Application For Contempt Proceedings

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Gajendragadkar and Mr. Justice Vyas).

Govind Dattatraya Deshpande—Applicant.

vs.

The Collector of Satara—Opponent.

Pending an appeal by the applicant to the High Court against an order of the First Class Sub-Judge at Phalton, Mr. Justice Bavdekar had issued a temporary injunction restraining the opponent from recovering the penalty assessment for the alleged irrigation dues of the applicant pending the disposal of the appeal The applicant alleged that in spite of service of this order on the Collector, the Collector had issued orders to the Mamlatdar to realize the penalty assessment in question. The applicant therefore filed the present petition praying that action be taken against the Collector for contempt of court.

On the Government Pleader giving an undertaking that pending appeal the Government would not recover the dues in question, their Lordships made no order on the application.

Mr. D. P. Dhupkar appeared for the applicant.

The Government Pleader appeared for the opponent.

Sardar Gian Singh said the Government considered it "too early" to introduce prohibition in the State. The excise duty provided nearly one-third of the total revenue and unless some alternative source of income was found, the Government could not afford to introduce prohibition.

PETITION BY BOMBAY BARONET

Rule Issued

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bhagwati)

Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim, Baronet—Petitioner.

vs.

M. R. Meher, Collector of Bombay and Deputy Custodian of Enemy Property and Others—Respondents.

On an applicaton by the petitioner challenging the validity of notifications declaring Kamal Building at Dadar, Fazal Manzil at Peddar Road, two flats in Currimbhoy Manor at Warden Road as well as the right, title and interest of the petitioner in the Baronetcy Trust to be evacuee properties and vested as such in the first and second respondents, his Lordship issued a Rule and made it returnable for argument on 14th April next.

The petitioner contended that the Bombay Evacuee Act 1949 as well as the Administration of Evacuee Property Ordinance 1949 passed by the Government of India were ultra vires, and he prayed for writs of certiorari, prohibition and mandamus to quest the orders notified by the first and second respondents as Deputy Custodians under the Bombay Act and the Central Ordinance respectively.

Sir Jamshedji Kanga with Mr. R. J. Kolah instructed by Messrs. Amarchand and Mangaldas appeared for the petitioner.

PARSIS AND PROHIBITION

Ministers & Mayor Invited By Federal Council For Discussion

In view of the threatened challenge by "certain parties" to the Government of Bombay in connection with the total prohibition in Bombay State on and from 5th inst., the Parsi Federal Council, a body representing a large number of Parsi institutions and mandals, has called an urgent meeting of members of the Council to discuss what attitude the Parsis should adopt in that connection.

The meeting will be held at 6-15 p.m. today (Tuesday), at Golwala's Fort Tuition Classes, Gunbow Street, off Hornby Road, Fort

It is understood the Council has extended special invitations to Sjt. Morarji Desai, Dr. M. D D. Gilder, Dr. Jivraj Mehta, Sjt. S. K. Patil, Mayor, and also to a number of distinguished citizens to attend the meeting and express their views.

STANDING BODY CHAIRMAN

B.A. Dalal Elected

MR. B. A. Dalal, Advocate, at present elected as the Chairman of the most important Committee of the Corporation. Standing Committee which has a budget of several crores. He holds an eminent position at the

Mr. B. A. Dalal.

Bar and in the civic life of the City.

The Bombay Municipal Congress Party elected him as its General Secretary immediately on his being elected as a Councillor in 1946 where he gave service for two years, and then he became the member of the Standing Committee after being re-elected in 1948. Elected as the Chairman of the Law, Revenue and General Purposes Committee for the year 1948-49 in the Corporation.

Jogeshwari School Annual Day

(From Our Correspondent).

VILE PARLE, April 3.

Presiding over the annual social gathering of the students of the Jogeshwari English School at Saraswati Bag, Jogeshwari yesterday afternoon, Mr. Abdul Sattar Parikh, President of the Parle-Andheri Municipality expressed pleasure that the fifteen year-old school was making satisfactory progress in all directions. He particularly referred to the cosmopolitan character of the institution in which the Harijan and other backward communities were freely admitted and allowed all privileges of social life.

Referring to the plight of teachers, the speaker said that theirs was a noble mission and they were doing immense social service in educating the young to bear the future responsibilities of life. He welcomed the idea of the Managing Committee of the School to have a building of its own to house its growing number of students and he assured them that he would do his utmost to help them. He wished all success to the school. Mrs. Parikh gave away the prizes to students who showed proficiency in their examinations and sports

A Variety Entertainment by the students included short dramatic skits and Garbas. Three dance performances by Kumari Tarabai of Tagore Academy, Madras were much appreciated by the audience.

Firing On Mica Workers: Japanese Grief

BOMBAY, Monday: The Secretary of the Socialist Party has received a letter from Mr. Fuse Tatsuji, Chairman of the Nippon Rono Kyuen Kai (Japan Labour Farmer Relief Association), deploring the police firing on mica workers at Jhumeri-Telaya in Patna on January 12.

The Chairman, while expressing the Association's heart-felt condolences to the bereaved families, has requested "the discharge and punishment of those who are responsible for the shooting of the Patna workers".

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RLY. SEASON TICKETS FOR STUDENTS

BOMBAY, April 3, (UPI): The age limit for students, who are eligible for season tickets at half charges, on production of certificate from the head of a recognised insitution where tney are studying has been raised from 18 to 24, according to a press note issued by the Joint Public Relations Officer, B.B. and C.I. and G.I.P. railways today.

Sindhi In Devnagri

BOMBAY, Monday: In accordance with the decision of the Government of India to change the script for Sindhi language from Arabic into Devnagri, the Government of Bombay has directed that Sindhi in Devnagri script should be introduced in all primary and secondary schools in the State of Bombay from the year 1951-52.

The Government of India had consulted all the State Governments and responsible Sindhi scholars and educationists before taking decision on the question of script for Sindhi language

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S. K. PATIL RE-ELECTED MAYOR OF BOMBAY

Promises An Even More Successful Year

BOMBAY, Monday.

MR. S. K. PATIL was elected Mayor of Bombay for the second time in succession, at a meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation, today. Mr. Patil secured 68 votes, while his Socialist rival Mr. M. V. Donde could collect only 39.

The hall and galleries of the Corporation were packed to capacity. The election was on the whole a tame affair. Dr. M. U. Mascarenhas, ex-Mayor presided.

Occupying the mayoral chair amid cheers from the Congress benches, the Mayor was profuse in his thanks. He pointed out that though as a Mayor he was the first to be re-elected, a similar honour had been bestowed by the Corporation on several of its former stalwarts including the late Sir Pherozeshah Mehta, who were re-elected presidents of the Corporation during their time.

The Mayor reiterated his pledge to maintain and enrich the traditions of the Corporation by following in the foot-steps of its illustrious predecessors.

PAT FOR SOCIALISTS

He welcomed the Socialist Opposition in the Corporation and said that their spirit of co-operation had gone a long way towards disposing of much of the agenda that was lying in arrears. Party system, said the Mayor, was necessary for the smooth and successful working of democracy, and he was confident that with Socialist co-operation and constructive criticism they would be able to solve some of the most intricate civic problems that confronted them.

The Mayor said that the year of his mayoralty was an outstanding year in many respects. India had declared herself to be a sovereign democratic Republic.

Nearer home, the Greater Bombay Scheme had become a fait accompli, with the Bombay Legislative Assembly having already passed the Bill to extend the limits of the Bombay Municipal Corporation, which was likely to become an Act from May 1. The city would now have an area of 90 square miles instead of 26, and a population of nearly forty lakhs instead of thirty. All this meant an additional responsibility for the Corporaton. He was sure they would prove themselves worthy of the trust reposed in them.

CHANGES

Mr. Patil referred to what he called the 'revolutional changes' that would come over the primary education imparted by the Corporation, when the Bill they had framed was passed by the Bombay Legislative Assembly during its next session. This Bill, according to the Mayor, would improve the position of the Bombay Municipal Schools Committee, which would become an autonomous body functioning under the direction, supervision and control of the Municipal Commissioner.

The Mayor then dealt with the achievements of the Corporation during recent months. The Vaitarna-Tansa scheme was well under way, and was apt to relieve the city of its existing water shortage. The transport situation had also improved. He was sure that with the whole-hearted co-operation of the House they would be able to give to the city many more civic amenities in the near future.

The Corporation will meet again on Monday next.

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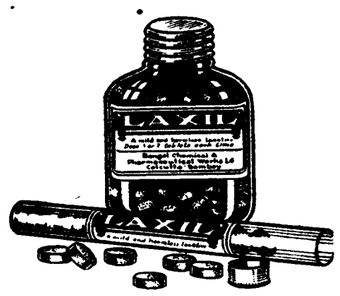

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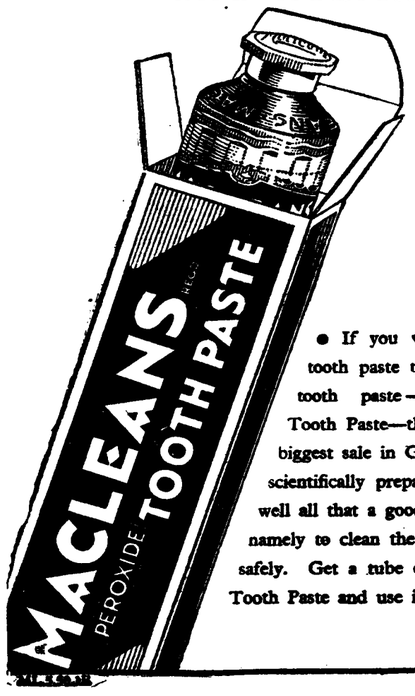

● If you want white teeth the tooth paste to get is the Peroxide tooth paste — Macleans Peroxide Tooth Paste—the dentifrice with the biggest sale in Great Britain. This is scientifically prepared to do supremely well all that a good tooth paste can do, namely to clean the teeth thoroughly yet safely. Get a tube of Macleans Peroxide Tooth Paste and use it night and morning.

Local Rainfall In Uttar Pradesh

ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, April 3, (PTI): Following is the daily weather summary for Monday:—

The western disturbance over the Punjab (I) is passing away northeastwards across the hills of the Punjab (I).

There have been local thundershowers in the west Uttar Pradesh and in the hills of the Punjab (I) and scattered thundershowers in the central parts of the country.

Both day and night temperatures have fallen appreciably in north-west India and Saurashtra and Cutch. Night temperatures were markedly above normal in Vindhya Pradesh and north-east Madhya Pradesh.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL THE EVENING OF 4TH: Thunderstorms are likely locally in East Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, sub-Himalayan West Bengal and north Assam. Scattered thunderstorms may also occur in the Punjab (I), Vindhya Pradesh, Chota Nagpur, Gangetic West Bengal and south Deccan (Desh).

Night temperatures may fall in west Uttar Pradesh and in the central parts of the country and rise in Bihar, West Bengal and Assam.

Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, with total rainfall from 1st March 1950, and departure from normal recorded at 08-30 hours I.S.T. on 3rd April 1950:—

Ahmedabad 104 65 0 0 minus 0.1, Allahabad 101 75 0 1.8 plus 1.2, Bangalore 90 63 0 0 minus 0.4, Baroda 98 68 0 0 0, Bhopal 98 72 0.1 1.6 plus 1.2, Bhuj 90 64 0 0 minus 0.1, BOMBAY 88 75 0 0 minus 0.1, Calcutta 99 71 0 0.2 minus 1.2, Cherrapunji 75 69 0 8.3 plus 0.6, Cochin 91 78 0 1.2 minus 2.2, Colombo 88 73 T 7.5 plus 2.9, Cuttack 98 69 0 3.4 plus 2.3, Dehra Dun 89 61 0.2 3.0 plus 1.7, Delhi 100 65 0 0.7 plus 0.1, Gwalior 104 77 0 0.3 —, Hyderabad (Dn.) 98 68 0 0.1 minus 0.5, Indore 97 67 0 0.2 plus 0.1, Jaipur 96 64 0 0.1 minus 0.2, Karachi 81 67 0 0 minus 0.3, Lucknow 100 78 0 0.5 plus 0.2, Madras 89 71 0 0.4 minus 0.3, Multan 80 53 0 1.1 plus 0.7, Mussoorie 68 47 0.1 4.1 plus 1.7, Mysore 93 67 0 0 minus 0.5, Nagpur 101 74 0 1.2 plus 0.5, Pachmarhi 92 69 5 0.6 0, Patna 98 72 0 0.2 minus 0.2, Poona 96 70 0 0.3 plus 0.2, Rajkot 92 58 0 0 minus 0.1, Surat 97 71 0 0 0.

The Pulse Of The City

ATTEMPTS FAIL: Two constables attached to the Dadar Police station were travelling in a bus along Vincent Road on Sunday morning when they noticed a passenger carrying two bottles with him. They wanted to search his person. The passenger, Maruti Shama Sawant, protested and took out a knife and threatened to stab them. He was, however, overpowered and taken into custody. The two bottles of illicit liquor were recovered from him. The Nagpada police on the same day arrested two persons from a speeding car along the Lamington Road. The police, on receipt of previous information, kept a watch and they noticed a car proceeding at break-neck speed along the Lamington Road. They chased the vehicle and stopped it. Fortyfour gallons of illicit liquor, valued at Rs. 2,152, kept in eleven tins were seized. The two occupants for the car, Francis and Rafiq were arrested.

'BLACK CELL': For blackmarketing in wire nails, Satyapal Mohanlal, the proprietor of Bashimal Mohanlal and Company of Dhanji Street, was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for a month and a fine of Rs. 3,000. Another dealer, Ram Kirparam, charged with blackmarketing in the same commodity was jailed for a month and fined Rs. 2,000 by Presidency Magistrate J. M. Barot.

THE OLD ORDER CHANGETH: From April 1, the name boards of different officers of the Secretariat, the Parliamentary Secretaries and the Ministers have undergone a change. The boards now do not read as Mr. so-and-so but as Shri etc. This is said to be in consonance with the directive of the Centre that in future, it would be proper to refer to each other in all official communications as Shri, Shriyut, or Shrimati, as the case and the gender may be.

TARIFF BOARD ENQUIRY: In connection with the Tariff Board's inquiry into the fountain pen ink industry, Dr. B. V. Narayanswamy Naidu, Member, accompanied by Mr. S. S. Mehta, Technical Adviser, visited on Monday the factory of Messrs. Camlin Ltd. Mahim, who are one of the manufacturers.

ACQUITTED: Vithal Shawji Salvi, a Jamedar, attached to the Phalton Road police station, who stood charged with accepting Rs. 7-8 as illegal gratification from a hawker, was acquitted on Monday by Presidency Magistrate Gordhandas at the Esplanade Court.

SAVED FROM FIRE: The timely arrival of the Bombay Fire Brigade saved a cotton godown at Balaram Street where a fire broke out early on Monday morning. As the fire was extinguished immediately, the damage is said to be negligible.

GOLD FINED: Fifteen Arabs manning the vessel from which gold worth Rs 80,000 was recovered by the Bombay Customs on Saturday have been detained aboard.

CITY & SUBURBS

TODAY

Hindu: Chaitra Vad 2, 2006.
Muslim: Jamadi-ul-Akher 15, 1369.
Parsi: Avan 4, 1319.
Sunrise 6-31 a.m., Sunset 6-53 p.m.
Hightide 00-28, 13-12 Lowtide 06-40, 19-06.

Today's Engagements

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE: Meeting at 3-30 p.m.
MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS COMMITTEE: Meeting at 3-30 p.m.
IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE: Meeting at 3-30 p.m.
MODEL INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE: Distribution of certificates to the successful students in Handicrafts Teacher's Training Course at Elphinstone T. H. School Hall, Dhobitalao 10-30 a.m. Raja Maharaj Singh Governor of Bombay will preside.
CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION: Executive Committee meeting, Servants of India Society, 6-15 p.m.
SILVERFISH: Mr. Rusi Billimoria will give a talk on "Reminiscences of the U.S.A." at the Silverfish at 6-15 p.m.

WORLD HEALTH DAY PROGRAMME

BOMBAY, Monday.

The following programme has been chalked out by the Government in collaboration with the Public Health Department of the Bombay Municipality for celebrating the World Health Day in Bombay City, on April 7.

(1) SYMPOSIUM on "THE W.H.O. AND SOME OF ITS ACTIVITIES" at the Anatomy Theatre, Grant Medical College at 11 a.m. Dr. D. P. Shethna will open the Symposium. Drs. W. N. Welinkar, B. R. Patel and P. M. Wagle will participate in the symposium, which is open only to medical students and members of the medical profession. Dr. Welinkar will speak on W.H.O. and V. D. Control, Dr. Patel on W.H.O. and T. B. Control and Dr. Wagle on the work of W.H.O. in connection with plague and cholera.
(2) HEALTH EXHIBITION at Labour Welfare Centre, Worli, and NUTRITION STALL organised by the Department of Nutrition, Government of Bombay. This exhibition will be open to the public from 4 to 8 p.m. and on April 8 also.
(3) HEALTH EDUCATION FILM SHOWS:
(i) 3-4 p.m. Labour Welfare Centre, Worli (for women only).
(ii) 7-30 to 8-30 p.m. Labour Welfare Centre, Worli (for men only).
(iii) 7-15 p.m. Napoo Garden, Matunga.

Besides there will be a radio talk on "World Health Day".

Arrangements have been made to provide suitable health material through selected social welfare organisations for demonstrations and educating the public on health topics on that day.

'Fazalbhoys Have Nothing To Do With It'

BOMBAY, Monday: Enquiries in connection with the UPI report from Secunderabad about the arrest of "Mr. Fazalbhoy of Bombay" on alleged charge of complicity in the conspiracy to help Mir Laik Ali to escape from house custody, reveal that the arrested man is the son of Ghulam Mohomed of No. 16, Moulabhai Street, Jacob Circle, Bombay, and has nothing to do with the house of leading Fazalbhoys of Bombay.

Shri Ambalalji Purani

Syt. Ambalalji Purani of Sri Aurobindo Asram is arriving in Bombay on the 6th inst., and will be here till the 8th. Those desirous of knowing about his activities here may please get in touch with Sri Aurobindo Circle, 32, Rampart Row, Fort, Bombay 1.

Prohibition: An Approach To Ram Raj

DR. PATTABHI'S MESSAGE

BOMBAY, Monday.

Prohibition will raise the standard of comfort for the people and "in every way you will have an approach to Ram Raj", says Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, President of the Indian National Congress, in a message to the people of the State of Bombay on the eve of the introduction of total prohibition in the State.

He says: "Real Ram Raj is a Raj in which there is no drink. If there is no drink, very likely, crime will be reduced by a half. Social comforts and convenience will be doubled. Every labour family will have a hut or a house of its own. People can sleep on cots and use metalic vessels and celebrate their festivities and marriages with some eclat. The quantum of work turned out is doubled and tripled.

"On a Monday, the compositor's capacity for composing types is, perhaps, a third of what it would be on Thursday, as a result of drink on Sunday. From Tuesday, he improves and continues to do so on Wednesday. On Thursday and Friday, he attains his maximum capacity. On Saturday, he is apt to be a little indifferent. On Sunday, he drinks and on Monday again he begins to pass through this cycle.

SHOOTERS MISS

"In the same manner, those that are good shots miss 20 per cent. on Monday, 10 per cent. on Tuesday, 5 per cent on Wednesday and get steady on Thursday and fire well on Friday and again lapse back until on Monday, the cycle begins once more. In the same manner the efficiency of work always declines on the morrow of a holiday on which the labourer boozes; and therefore if in a city like Bombay, if you establish total Prohibition, the efficiency of work in factories and mills in fields and building houses, will become enormously increased. Crime will go down. The Police may, in due course, be reduced in strength. National Savings are increased. The standard of comfort is raised and in every way you will have an approach to Ram Raj.

MAKE PROHIBITION A GRAND SUCCESS

Minister Patil's Calls For Co-operation

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Excise, Government of Bombay, earnestly appealed to the people to co-operate with the Government in making prohibition a grand success.

The Minister said that elsewhere in the State of Bombay there was no opposition to the prohibition policy, but a few people in the city of Bombay were opposing it for their selfish interest. These opponents were the enemies of society, the Minister added.

The Minister who was speaking at a public meeting held at Anand Bhuwan Hall, Vithalbhai Patel Road this evening, said that Mahatma Gandhi always cherished a desire in his heart to uproot the evil of drinking from the country. When they had no power and when they were being ruled by a foreign nation, Congress volunteers picketted liquor shops to check the evil. Now they were free, the Congress Government was determined to see that the evil of drink which ruined many good families, was completely uprooted and the desire of the Father of the Nation fulfilled.

Special Locals On April 6

BOMBAY, Monday: On the occasion of the President's visit to Borivli on 6th April 1950, B.B. & C.I. Railway has arranged the two morning trains terminating at Andheri at 7-45 a.m. and 8-14 a.m. to be extended up to Borivli to facilitate visitors proceeding up to Borivli on the occasion. Railway authorities will also be prepared to run an additional train from Church Gate to Borivli, should the rush of traffic warrant it.

THREE DIE OF BURNS

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mrs. Elizabath Anthony, a 27-year-old woman residing at Colaba died in St George's Hospital yesterday as a result of the burns she sustained at home. Mrs. Anthony according to information gathered, received the burns on Saturday last when her clothes accidentally caught fire while lighting a stove.

The report of the death due to burns of a 23-year-old married woman and her six months old child, was also received from Kalina, Santa Cruz.

The bodies of the deceased Shantabai Tulsidas and her son Anil were removed to the city morgue from K.E.M. Hospital where both of them were admitted for treatment. It is not yet known as to how Shantabai and her child sustained the burns.

The police are making inquiries.

HEALTH OF THE CITY

BOMBAY April 3, (UPI): The week ended March 25 recorded 430 cases and 98 deaths due to small-pox in the state of Bomay. Anti-small-pox measures continued to be taken in the affected areas. During the same period, cholera was responsible for two deaths and plague for one.

Only one case due to poliomyelitis was reprted from the Bombay city.

Two hundred eleven cases were filed under the food adulteration act. Of the 43 cases in which convictions were obtained, 42 were of milk and the remaining one was of butter. A fine of Rs. 4,166 was recovered.

TODAY'S RADIO

TUESDAY, April 4.

Air News From Delhi

English 8 a.m., 1-30 p.m., 6, 9; Gujarati 8-45 a.m., 1 p.m., 8-15; Hindustani, 8-15 a.m., 1-40 p.m., 6-10, 9-15; Kannada 7-45 a.m., 7-40 p.m, Malayalam 7-30 a.m., 7-30 p.m., Marathi 8-30 a.m., 12-50 p.m. Tamil 7-15 a.m., 7-15 p.m., Telugu 7 a.m. 1-15 p.m. 7 p.m.

BOMBAY.

7-30 a.m. Bhor bhaee, 7-35 Physical 7-45 K.H. Dalal, G. bhajans, 8-15 Kamal Sangekar, bilawal, 12-45 p.m. Tantrakari, 12-50 J Dadabhoy garba party 1-40 Modern classical music, 4-20 School broadcast, 5-0 Hindi by radio, 5-20 L.K. Kunte, clarionet, 6-10 J. Dadabhoy garba party, 6-20 D. Parwatkar, ssrangi, 6-35 S. K. Devdhar, purla Dhanashree, 7-0 Day's topic, 7-10 Locals, 7-20 K.H Dalal, G. bhajans, 7-30 K. Sangekar, kh. bihag. 7-45 For industrial workers, 9-15 L. K. Kunte, carionet 9-30 Film songs 10-0 K. Sangekar, shankara. 10-30 P. Swamigettuvadyam, 1-45 Thumri khamaj.

Variations

8-0 a.m. D. Parwatkar, sarangi, 8-45 Bhalchandra, compositions of Marathe, 1-0 p.m. Compositions of S. A. Shukla, 1-10 Jyotsna Bhole, 1-50 R. Shah, AIR topic, 5-0 Hindi by radio, 5-30 for children, 6-0 Kamla Padubidri, K. songs, 6-20 for rural listeners, 7-30 Commercial News, 8-15 SS. Deodhar, kh. bhoop, 8-30 Marathi talk, 8-45 D. Parwatkar, sarangi 9-0 S. S. Deodhar, kh. malkauns. 10-0 A. Murzban, "Life of insects".

BARODA

7-30 a.m. mixed melodies, 7-45 Today and tomorrow, 7-50 Usha C. Parikh geets, 8-15 P. Shinde, lalit, 8-30 B. Barot, bansari, 5-30 p.m. Folk songs of the province, 5-45 As in Ahmedabad, 6-10 B. Barot, bansari, 6-20 Rasuolan Bai, thumri, 6-30, For rural listeners, 7-0 Variety, 7-15 G. talk, 7-30 B. Barot, bansari, 7-45 A. H. Khan, rangeshree, 8-0 Usha C. Parikh, geets, 8-10 Locals, 8-30 For different tastes, 9-30 "Chaitri Mele", G. features, 9-45 A.H. Khan, chandrakauns.

AHMEDABAD

7-30 a.m. Ashram bhajanavali, 7-40 Prayer, 8-15 As in Baroda, 8-30 A. Govindbhai pads, 5-30 p.m. As in Baroda, 5-45 R. Bhojak, geets, 6-10 As in Baroda, 6-30 Folk songs, 6-45 M. Badshah, kh. bhimpalasi, 7-30 For industrial workers, 8-0 Locals 8-5 Thakur, 8-30 M. Badshah kh, nand. 8-45 A. Govindbhai, old bhajans, 9-30 As in Baroda, 9-45 R. Bhojak, geets.

REVISED TRAIN TIMINGS

The following are the revised timings of trains of the GIP and BB & CI with effect from April 1, 1950.

G. I. P.

	Arrival	Departure
Allahabad Express	4.25	23.45
Madras Mail	6.15	22.25
Amritsar Express	6.30	23.10
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	8.25	17.10
Deccan Queen	10.30	17.00
Poona Mail	11.35	17.20
Calcutta Mail via Allahabad)	12.30	20.10
Madras Express	13.00	15.5
Nagpur Express	13.55	21.35
Punjab Mail	14.45	15.55
Janata Express	18.10	7.5
Poona Express	19.15	8.20
Poona Passenger	22.25	11.5

B. B. and C. I.

	Arrival	Departure
Ahmedabad Passenger	6.00	21.45
Meerut Express	6.30	21.30
Janata Express	7.55	20.10
Gujerat Mail	8.35	20.50
Frontier Mail	9.00	19.20
Saurashtra Mail	10.55	19.30
Admedabad Passenger	15.45	13.50
Baroda Passenger	20.25	8.40
Saurashtra Express	21.00	8.00

HIMA KESARCODI'S "SANYUKTA"

New Ballet In City

BOMBAY, Monday.

Sanyukta (Unity), a new ballet by the Chitra Players, headed by their talented director Hima Kesarcodi, was presented Sunday morning at the Excelsior Theatre. Dance sequences of the various techniques of the country portray the love between two, the one hailing from the south, the other from the north of India. The lovers are torn apart by inter-provincial differences, the symbolic meaning being that there are initial clashes between the dance techniques of the land. Later on, however, the lovers come together and are happy, the idea being that though the techniques differ in detail, the fundamentals are the same and they can all be performed to the same rhythm.

The highlight of the ballet is the second act—the dance of the lotus blossoms and the wooing of the Lotus Queen by the Bee.

The ballet will be performed again at Excelsior next Sunday at 10-30 a.m.

White Ants Eat Rs. 11,000!
CHIRALA, Nov. 11.
It is learnt that currency notes of the value of Rs. 11,000, belonging to a local provisions merchant, have been completely damaged by white ants.
It is stated that the merchant sold his lands, and placed the proceeds, together with some other cash, all in hundred-rupee currency notes, in a wooden box, and left it "securely" in a place high up in the room
After the recent visit of termites it is stated to have found the box, and that all the notes were damaged beyond recognition
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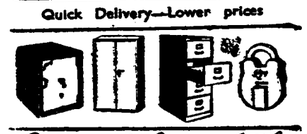
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The Bombay Chronicle

UNWORTHY QUIBBLING

Replying to the "Bombay Chronicle", Mr. K. G. Mashruwala, Editor of the "Harijan", justifies his describing India and Pakistan as one country in a leading article. His justification is based on a number of grounds. In the first place, he maintains that All-India is very meaningful now because there are two States and that even before partition it was in common use as in the name of the All-India National Congress. Secondly, he argues that many refer to India, both Pakistan and India, as a sub-continent: "if one is asked what is the name of this sub-continent, All-India is a correct description." Thirdly, "All-India constitutes one country and is the common fatherland of the people of both Pakistan and India, this is just a truism; no one ever called this into question before partition and even now every book on history and geography will have to treat the whole as one country and the people as belonging to one country". Fourthly, just as we say French India and Portuguese India, we can say Bharat India and Pakistan India; moreover, there were many States in India before Sardar Patel integrated them all. Fifthly, if the Cabinet Mission scheme had not been set aside, there should have been even now politically an All-India Federation. And lastly, "States and the forms of their constitutions are created and uncreated by political exigencies and boundaries get shifted for political and administrative convenience; political arrangements must be distinguished from facts of nature and the natural fact is as stated" in his article.

This is the argument of Mr. Mashruwala and we regret to say that we are unable to follow him in any one of them. Whatever was the case before, India was partitioned on August 15, 1947 and two sovereign States were born out of the act. When Mr. Mashruwala is writing on political subjects, he cannot use "natural" terminology without creating confusion of thought. No country which has had to adjust to reduced territory, continues to speak of the old territory unless it has irredentist ambitions. We do not see why anyone should ask what the name of the sub-continent is, unless he desires to stir up old controversies. It is wrong to base an analogy on French and Portuguese Indias, because these territories have come into existence as a result of external forces whilst Pakistan grew from our own decisions. As for Mr. Mashruwala's insistence on the "if" of the Cabinet Mission Plan, it is a nostalgic harking back that has no relevance to present conditions. Mr. Mashruwala is not fair to himself. He writes, "Were it not for the fact that All-India is the common fatherland of the people living in both the sub-countries, neither India and her people, nor Pakistan and her people would feel much concerned about the safety of the minorities in either of the two sub-countries". Only last week he asked the people of India to follow Pandit Jawaharlal because of his broad humanity and devotion to the cause of the downtrodden.

Mr. Mashruwala's outlook reveals his strong aversion to the partition. But nothing can be gained by refusing to recognize the fact of it and much confusion is caused by trying to defend the indefensible. We appeal to him to face the reality and leave aside all attempts to gloss it over.

Mr. Patil's Second Term

The re-election of Mr. S. K. Patil, Bombay's energetic Mayor, for a second year breaks a long established tradition, which has long ceased to serve a useful purpose. Last year, the Municipal Corporation gave up the practice of making the mayoralty rotate by community every year. This year the same individual has been re-elected so that there might be continuity of policy and more effective individual attention by the Mayor. This is a recognition that the Mayor can do much and it is also a hint that more will be expected of this dignitary than has been in the past. Hitherto, the Mayor's work has consisted in the amicable duty of receiving foreign distinguished visitors, garlanding statues on auspicious occasions, making appropriately felicitous speeches and generally functioning as a kind of master of ceremonies in civic affairs. In a word, the Mayor was decorative if that word can be applied to the long array of men who have held the office. Least of all would anyone have expected it to be argued that "continuity of policy" required the same man to occupy the mayoral gadi. There were mayors like Nariman, Meherally and Masani who tried to create a great tradition. They took their work very seriously and gave as much attention as they could to discharging their duty. But it was always the Municipal Commissioner who ruled the Municipal roost, and policy and detail of administration were alike moulded by this official and nominee of the Government who was well out of reach of the hands of councillors. There was local self-gavernment but the Municipal Executive was sacrosanct and there have been occasions when determined Commissioners have side-stepped the opinon of the Corporators, even of the Corporation majority, and carried out their plans, quietly and unnoticed. This was not a very happy arrangement because not all Municipal Commissioners are independent, and not all of these again are energetic. Mr. Patil's second term promises a change in all this and a greater tendency to cut through red-tape and show initiative. We do not know whether the skill he has acquired in his first year will enable Mr Patil to accelerate work in the second. He certainly has the advantage of beginning where most Mayors left off. But, however much Mr. Patil might have learnt and however quickly, the next twelve-month is all too short a time for any large civic reconstruction. It must also be borne in mind that the re-election synchronises with the inauguration of Greater Bombay which took place on April 1. The innovation of a second term is an experiment which can prove very valuable. But the men behind it ought to have had courage enough to carry it out to its logical conclusion and extend the Mayor's term to a five-year one so that he might have enough breathing-space to plan nobly. The Municipal Act could have been suitably amended to effect this. It might also have been worthwhile to give Mr. Patil more powers as Mayor in order that as the people's representative, he could act with authority.

From Mr. S. K. Patil's point of view, it is a happy thing that he has decided to devote himself to the service of the City of Bombay. There are few outstanding men in political life today who are so much a part of Bombay as Mr. Patil is, and in this he is the inheritor of a long and glorious tradition of Bombaymen who have turned back opportunities from outside. A long-term Mayor should, naturally, have more sustained interest in the working of the Corporation and in civic affairs than one who occupies the chair only for a brief year. Mr. Patil whose energy and drive have won him many friends, enemies and admirers, is the best fitted for effective functioning. He has also indicated that his lightning tour of the West has given him many ideas which he would like to put into effect in Bombay and more concretely he has just initiated an all-parties, all-communities organisation for securing the permanent peace of Bombay. To all these things we may now expect him to apply his shoulder with a will and he will command, if necessary, the support and active assistance of his partymen in the Corporation and outside. If the experiment was to be made at this time, there can be no doubt that Mr. Patil is preeminently the man to try it with. There is before the Government a Corporation proposal to have for the Mayor a sumptuary allowance of Rs. 10,000 a year. This is, of course, not in the nature of salary for the post—it would be much too small—but by way of ensuring that whoever occupies the Mayor's Chair will not suffer for that reason. It is a sensible suggestion and the figure arrived at can be construed neither as a temptation nor as a deterrent. We hope that the Government by accepting the suggestion will complete the auspicious omens attending the momentous changes in the Mayor's Office.

The Medicinal Quota

We are afraid that the whole attitude of the Government towards the emergency six ounces of brandy which is conceded by the Prohibition Act, is entirely ill-advised. The concession is meaningless unless it means that the medicinal use of brandy is accepted and allowed for. If it is allowed, then it cannot be refused to any family. According to an analysis that has been published, there are more addicts' permits than emergency licences. This is an anomaly that must be corrected because it indicates that the latter is being turned down. No one can guarantee that any individual will not require the emergency provision. Nor can we see how, as it has been suggested, it is possible arbitrarily to shut out a whole class, like Government servants, from availing themselves of the emergency licence. There is little difficulty in understanding why the confusion between the Act and the explanations officially advanced of its working exists. In most families, the practice of keeping brandy in the house does not exist; in some homes it is a homely remedy resorted to on all occasions—from a common cold to a heart attack. Possibly it is difficult for one section to understand what exactly the other feels on the subject but it cannot be impossible to explain it all and to arrive at some reasonable adjustment. The amount allowed under the Act is six ounces and it is not expected to be renewed for six months. This is not a matter which will disturb the Prohibition programme by itself. But, if it is statutorily allowed, it should not be attempted to withdraw it for any section by resort to official intimidation Government spokesmen of all people should maintain the integrity of the Rule of Law. It would not be quite appropriate to insist in this context that what the Sovereign permits, he commands; but it would be correct to say that what he openly permits, he cannot penalise persons for doing.

Tete-a-Tete

WITHOUT COMMENT.

PARIS, April 2: Dr. Ho Chi-minh, Leader of the Viet Minh (Communist-led insurgents), was in China, negotiating a treaty with the Chinese Communist leader, Mao Tse-tung, according to reports reaching Saigon from usually reliable sources, the France Presse Agency reported today.—PTI-Reuter.

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Apropos of Mr. Jaya Prakash Narayan's suggestion for an All-Parties Conference on the Indo-Pak problem, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru has replied asking the latter to pursue the matter further, though the proposal for a conference was not "without certain difficulties.

We hope the Prime Minister's hint to look around and think will be taken.

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When Parliament was informed about important inscriptions recovered in Raipur district (Madhya Pradesh) Mr. H. V. Kamath asked amidst laughter, 'to what extent does the digging up of the past help the present?"

Depends, doesn't it, on who digs how, what and why.

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When Mr. Gordon-Walker addressed the National Association of Labour Students at Brighton the other day, he said, replying to a Nigerian student, that, if Britain was to stay in Bechuanaland, responsible for its integrity and good Government "we must have certain rights that go with these duties."

The "right" for instance, to protect the integrity of Bechuanaland from being assailed by Ruth Williamses?

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The Seretse case had not, Mr. Gordon-Walker insisted, affected anybody's legal or human rights in any part of the empire.

A blackman's choice of a "mixed" marriage with a white women is of course neither a legal nor a human right.

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The Lebanese Prime Minister Riad El Bobh Bay has accused Jordan of having driven a "wedge" into the Arab economic blockade of Isarel by initialling a trade agreement which would open the Arab Middle East to Israel economic infiltration.

But that's just what's intended by those, who, in the utmost friendliness, of course, advised Jordan, its king and its Government.

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The twelfth annual Congress of the French Communist Party, with giant portraits of Stalin and Secretary-General Thorez decorating the hall and held on his fiftieth birthday seemed, a Paris report suggests, planned to spotlight the latter's leadership of French Communism.

Jacque Duclos sent back to the shadows?

POLITICAL PROPAGANDA BY FRENCH COMMUNISTS

By Camille Lemeroier

PARIS

THE FRENCH Communist Party is preparing to intensify its political propaganda and stand firm on its determination to make no concessions to passing popularity by dropping appeals to hold up the delivery of American arms. This is shown in preparations for its biennial Congress to be held in the Town Hall at Gennevilliers, one of the "Red" suburbs of Paris. The Congress begins today.

Indications at present are that it is willing to face the consequences of a more severe attitude towards itself on the part of the French authorities—although it does not apparently, expect to be declared illegal.

INTENSIFIED CAMPAIGN

One of the main items on the agenda of the Congress is to outline instructions for an intensified campaign to win the support of French peasants in the general elections due to be held not later than October next year.

More than 1,000 delegates from all over the country will meet at Gennevilliers under huge photographs of Lenin and Stalin, to receive campaign orders for the next two years—up to 1952 when the Marshall Plan, perhaps the greatest single check on the post-war spread of Communism in Europe, ends its flow of recovery dollars.

Observers here expect the orders to include an intensification of sabotage tactics initiated in France by the Communist Party early this year in support of Soviet Russia's counter-offensive against the Atlantic Pact.

Delegates will also be instructed to win over to the Party before next year's election as many Frenchmen as possible.

Never since the Russo-German Pact of 1939, political observers here believe, has the French Communist Party held such little attraction for the man-in-the-street, who resents its attitude in Parliament as well as the sabotage and other extreme disruptive measures advocated by this, France's numerically strongest party.

NO SURPRISES

The Communist Party Congress, like most Communist Congresses in the past, is not expected to yield many, if any, surprises.

Resolutions adopted by the Congress derive directly from those adopted by the Party's Central Committee which, it is generally assumed in France, in turn gets its briefing from the Cominform.

The Party's national daily newspaper "L'Humanite", announcing the date of the Congress recently, gave the agenda in these two items:

1. The fight for national independence. M. Maurice Thorez, Secretary General of the Party, will present this report; and

2. The defence of French agriculture and of farm workers. M. Waldeck Rochet, member of the Party's Political Bureau and its most prominent expert on agriculture, will submit this report.

All future delegates were asked to study the resolutions passed at the last meeting of the Cominform in November together with those adopted by the Party's Central Committee in December.

Shortly after this "guidance", the Party's monthly magazine "Les Cahiers du Commuisme" published an article by M. Jacques Duclos, head of the Communist Group in the National Assembly and Secretary of the Party's Political Bureau. In this, he stressed that since the last Congress in Strassbourg two years ago the international picture had changed as a result of the Brussels Union, the Atlantic Pact, the expulsion of Marshal Tito from the Cominform and now the American Military Aid Programme.

FIGHT AGAINST WAR

"The shipment of American arms to France is one of the decisive elements of the preparations for war", he wrote. "It would be wrong to believe that the danger of war is receding.

"History shows that as imperialist reaction deteriorate, the danger of it launching into military adventure grows.

"It is with these facts in mind that we must organise our fight against war, against the dirty war in Vietnam, and against preparations for the anti-Soviet war.

"Dockers in Algiers and Marseilles who refuse to load war material for Vietnam and sailors in Marseilles who hold up troopships like the Pasteur are performing feats in the fight for peace.

"These workers have shown that they are not satisfied with verbal protests against the war in Vietnam. They have shown others the way to action.

"We must go further and further in this movement and develop action. War propaganda through newspapers, books, films, and the wireless must be boycotted."

"One of the present aims of the French Communist Party is to regain ground lost among workers eighteen months ago when the General Confederation of Labour split into Communist and non-Communist sections.

UNITY AMONG WORKERS

Since then, one of the Party catch words has been: "Unity among the workers." Communist leaders are aware of the workers' dislike of political strikes and demonstrations.

When the last strike wave started in Paris with metal workers downing tools, it was accompanied by this slogan: "A 3,000-franc bonus and the end of the war in Vietnam."

The second demand has since been dropped—a tactical concession which the strategy-making Congress will have to put right.

In "Les Cahiers du Communisme", M. Duclos wrote:

"The workers know now how wrong they would be to confine their struggle to economic fights. They are more and more aware of the close link between war, politics and living conditions of the masses. They are able

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

Linking The Universities

The proposal before the Court of the Poona University which sought to make Marathi the principal language of the Court has resulted in a compromise which would permit the use of both English and Marathi. While opposing it, Mr. Raghunath Paranjpye warned the Court against isolating the university from sister bodies by insisting upon maintaining the record of work only in Marathi. Mr. Paranjpye's view-point was an encouraging departure from the extreme of linguistic regionalism. Dictated by judgment and forethought as it was, the decision of the Court permitting the use of English has, for the time being, saved the Poona University from the danger of isolation. India would break up into linguistic compartments if regional universities were to follow a closed door policy. Regionalism should not be allowed to override the needs and larger interests of the country. Such universities, though located, in different regions should be constantly aware of their responsibilities to the country as a whole and not merely of their loyalties to their respective linguistic spheres. They should be prepared to accept the solution of the question of language as a medium of internal administration as well as instruction on an all India basis. It is refreshing to learn in this connection, that another proposal demanding introduction of Marathi as a medium of instruction in all stages of university education was ruled out by the Vice-Chancellor. The reason assigned by him was that the Executive and Academic Councils, which should have recommended such a radical change, had deferred the consideration of the question pending the publication of the report of the University Commission. This report should be the basis of decisions of all the universities on matters linguistic. It should lead to the achievement of lasting unity in the new educational set-up of India by establishing a close link between various universities.

A Graceful Alternative

Sambasivam, the Indian Trade Unionist, who was under sentence of death in Malaya has escaped the gallows, thanks to the Privy Council, which acquitted him on appeal. He was arrested, tried and condemned under the special laws to which the Malayan Federal Government has taken recourse in order to deal with the emergency created by what is called a revolt by "terrorists" or "bandits", that is to say, Communists. An appeal was lodged with the Privy Council through the efforts of India's representatives in Singapore and London; and whatever the merits or otherwise of the conflict in Malaya, of the activities of the two parties and of the laws and regulations resorted to, the decision of the Privy Council is certainly very welcome. For, apart from every other consideration, it helps to preserve good relations between two countries, India and British administered Malaya. And what the Privy Council has began, the British authorities in Malay can now carry to a happy completion. Sambasivam, immediately after his release from jail, was rearrested under the Emergency Regulations and it is further reported that the Police have applied for an order of detention for him. Now, it may be that Sambasivam is a Communist—a "bandit"—and that the authorities may be convinced of the necessity of keeping him out of the "terrorist" mischief in Malaya. But would it not be far better in the interests of all concerned if he was, as desired by Sambasivam himself, externed and sent back to India?

Disappointing Attitude

A cable has been sent to Mr Trygve Lie by the Riff leader, Emir Abd El Karim, President of the North African Liberation Committee, demanding that the leader of the Tunisian Destour (Free Constitutional) Party should be allowed to visit Southern Tunisia and Fezzan. For, the French have imposed a ban on such visits, which, Emir Abd El Karim protests, is "a flagrant violation of Article 13 of the Human Rights Charter". We doubt if the United Nations or its Secretary General will take any notice of this protest. But it is the fact that Arabs of Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco are restive and desire freedom, while on the other hand their imperialist rulers are taking all measures to check and suppress freedom movements and their leaders But it is also the fact that Arabs under Spanish domination are no less restive and eager for independence. The North African Liberation Committee must concern itself equally with the liberation of Spanish North Africa. Abd El Karim has good reasons to know personally that Spanish rule is even more tyrannical than French rule. And it is worse today under the Franco regime, which, because of its obvious affinities, is about as gentle as was Mussolini's Fascist rule over Libya. It is, therefore, rather disappointing that in Cairo itself, where the North African Liberation Committee has its headquarters, the Arab League has in its current session decided to support Franco Spain's application for membership of the U.N. It demonstrates a favourable inclination towards Spain on the part of the Arab League, which is painfully unfair to the Arabs of North Africa, who have to endure Spanish domination.

Imitations

A short paragraph in an obscure corner of the morning papers states that a child died of poisoning when some acid was administered to it by mistake instead of gripe water. As the case is sub-judice no comments are being made on the particular case but it will be quite relevant to draw attention to spurious imitations of well-known baby powders and gripe water sold in the market. The empty tins and bottles of these products are in great demand and fetch four to five annas for an empty bottle or tin Apparently these bottles and tins are sold in turn to unscrupulous imitators who fill the tins with inferior talc or chalk powder with a thin layer of the genuine product at the top; the bottles are filled with alleged gripe water. Sometimes these powder tins are sold openly on the streets and it should be easy to trace them to their source. No harm would be done if they were harmless imitations. But use of inferior talc in baby powders can be a great danger to babies. This was the experience of Australia a couple of years ago, where a series of mysterious deaths occurred in a children's hospital and were alleged to have been traced to the use of bad baby powders, the raw material for which was reported to have been imported from India. It is time that there was a check on these spurious imitations and the culprits brought to book.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

No Split Among Socialists

I was surprised to read in this morning's 'Chronicle' a report published from your correspondent from Patna. That a responsible paper like yours should carry news of this type, without seeking to confirm it, is a matter of deep regret to me.

There is no truth whatsoever in the suggestion that there is any split of any kind between Jayaprakash Narayan on the one side and Achyut Patwardhan and myself on the other. It has been a pride of the Socialist Party that even when there have been some differences in policies we have never thought in terms of splits and dissensions. Today there is perfect understanding and co-operation between Mr. Jayaprakash Narayan and his colleagues. Let me assure you that inside the Party there is no and there has never been a race for what your correspondent calls the "top laurels". Jayaprakash Narayan remains and will continue to be the accredited spokesman of the Socialist Party. Let not others judge the Socialist Party by what they have seen or experienced in other political parties. There is a basic comradeship in our ranks that has survived the stresses and strains of the last 20 years. I hope this frank and categorical statement of mine will put to an end to senseless speculation on any differences between Jayaprakash Narayan and his colleagues, and give a quietus to all talk about split in the Socialist Party.

ASOKA MEHTA.

Resignation And After

It is reported in a section of the Press that Mr. S. K. Patil at the meeting of BPCC yesterday, while asserting that my resignation would not be accepted, stated that there were some complaints against me for breach of Congress discipline and that lately he has received complaints against me for misappropriation of Congress Funds. He is said to have further stated that these complaints against me were under consideration. While emphatically refuting the baseless allegations regarding misappropriation of Congress Funds by me, I challenge Mr. S. K. Patil to prove before any independent tribunal, a single case of Misappropriation of Congress Funds. It is significant that these false allegations are made against me after I have tendered my resignation. I say, with all the emphasis at my command, that the alleged complaints for misappropriation are made by Mr. S. K. Patil after I have resigned from the Congress to discredit me and lower my prestige in the eyes of the public. It was I and Mr. Varad who demanded of Mr. S. K. Patil at the meeting of BPCC sometimes ago that he should place before the Committee the accounts of the Congress Funds collected in the name of the Congress.

On May 7, 1949 Mr. S. K. Patil at the BPCC Meeting announced that he had received a written complaint against me and C. V Varad accusing us of having adopted a hostile attitude towards the Congress at the Municipal and Assembly Bye-elections and I was asked to submit my explanations. Wide press publicity was given to these accusations. I sought permission from time to time to issue a statement to the press to clear my position but it was never granted. I made persistent requests to furnish me with a copy of the alleged written complaint or at least to have the perusal of the same but all my requests were turned down. On 11th May 1949 I had stated in my letter to Mr. Nurie, then Acting President of BPCC., that the accusations made against me were absolutely false and that they were in order to shelve my "No confidence motion" against Mr. Patil delivered to the BPCC Office on 4th May 1949. Thereafter from time to time I have insisted on proper inquiries being made and the guilty person being adequately punished even though three months' limitation period fixed for taking the disciplinary action had expired. From time to time I have submitted my explanations and appeared before the Executive Committee but neither the said Committee nor Mr. Patil or his BPCC has taken any disciplinary action against me for about eleven months. I had written to the President of the Congress about five months ago bringing to his notice the fact of the false accusations against me with a request to point an impartial tribunal to inquire into the accusations and punish the guilty persons. But it is highly regrettable that the President has not replied. It is absolutely futile on the part of Mr. S K. Patil and his BPCC. to state, after I have tendered my resignation on various vital issues that the complaints against me, though time-barred under the disciplinary rules, are still to be inquired into.

—SHIVJI M. NAKAR.

Another Resignation

"The disciplinary action taken by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee against Shri C. V. Varad comes as a rude shock to me. I have known Shri Varad as a sincere and selfless soldier of the Congress That such a devoted worker should be driven out from the folds of the Congress is a matter of deep shame to all good Congressmen. For well nigh thirty years I have served the Congress in varied capacities and today I feel that the only way I can serve that great organisation is by raising my voice of protest against this action taken against Shri Varad. To register my protest I have tendered my resignation of the Managing Council of the Girgaum District Congress Committee. I am confident that in this protest I carry with me the support, not only of these Congressmen who elected me but of all men of goodwill in the City".

—MANIBHAI G. DESAI.

Postal Vagaries

A V.P.P. has been despatched from Super Pharma Corporation Ltd., Bombay to Saharanpur on 6-8-47 and the same been delivered there on 13th Jan. 1950. The V.P. M.O. has been paid to us on 31-3-50. We have repeatedly put up our claim to the Postal authorities and who have many a times declined to settle the matter earlier stating that the V.P. M.O. has been sent or some other irrelevant excuses. As one part is the Government authority and the other a merely citizenship the company cannot do anything but wait for the mercy of the former. There were instances wherein V.P.P.s have been returned to the company with a remark "Party not claimed the parcel" etc. As soon as the Co. receives the parcel contacts the addressee and finds that the parcel has never been to him at all. This means the parcel is returned to the sender from somewhere on the transit. There are claims pending from 1946 where the settlement is being kept for a monetary settlement with Pakistan.

—D. V. NANAVATI.

Anti-Secular State Brigade

The latest to join anti-secular brigade is Sheth Dalmia. Shethji is a versatile genius! Financier, Industrialist, Press Lord, at one time it seemed that he would over-shadow Mr. Wendell Willkie with his one world ideal. Cow protection is another of his gifts to India and the world and now on the top of all this, in his latest pronouncement he wants his countrymen to discard secularism and usher in a theocratic state! What an amazing fund of energy!

Are we not fools not to listen to great Shethji, or a Golwalkar or Khan who are eminently fitted to lead us, instead of following Pandit Nehru who, with his obstinate clinging to secularism, retards the progress of Bharatwarsha? In the opinion of these stalwarts of Hinduism secularism and all that it means is at the bottom of all our troubles! They will have nothing of it. They think it is foreign to our national genius! Do these warriors ever pause to think of consequences of their sabre rattling? Do these gentlemen really want a war? In that case we, the common people, must make it plain to them that it is not our war and we wont fight, and they and theirs must be prepared to provide for the cannon fodder! After all it is we, the common people, who are still fighting the monster of last war, have to undergo all the sufferings of a war, while for the people of this class it is a splendid opportunity to amass millions. Sheth Dalmia even admits that he earned money by sinful ways. We must thank him for this small mercy. He prays to God to relieve him of that wealth of sin But why pray for that? Cannot he make over that huge unwanted amount to our Government who are in dire need for funds and have the peace of mind in his old age? Cannot somebody find out a formula by which the great Shethji can do this thing without compromising his religious susceptibilities?

—V. R. SHIRODKAR.
Cambay, B.B.C.I.
30-3-50.

Blackmarket In Marriage

In the Parliamentary debate on the Bill against Blackmarketing, an M.P. referring to blackmarketing in beauty, stressed the point that today beauty, like many other precious commodities, has gone underground and is available only at a price. "A beautiful girl never married a poor man, however handsome, honest and hard-working he might be. But she was always willing to marry a rich man's son, irrespective of his appearance".

But from what we see happening everywhere, the position is not quite as described. True, the girl is always 'willing' to marry a rich man; but no man, be he rich or poor, handsome or ugly, is willing to marry any girl unless she brings with her an enormous dowry. The larger the dowry, the better the bridegroom!

This may aptly be termed blackmarketing in marriage—an evil which is rampant in our society today.

—(Prof.) ANGELO MOSES.

"Stolen From G.I.P. Rly."

Some days back I was travelling in a second class compartment of the Poona Express, where I noticed a curious thing. The seats were marked (i.e. stamped) all over: "STOLEN FROM G.I.P. RLY." Can anyone explain the use of such a statement? Why not use "G.I.P. Rly. only?

—MAKARAND V. DEHEJIA.

Sanatoriums

Stadia are being built at New Delhi, and Ahmedabad at a huge cost. A temple is being built at Veraval Patan at a huge cost.

The real need is to build cheap sanatoria at sea side and on hill stations for the health of the people. Building of temples does not bring purity.

—BHAGVANJI ANUPCHAND.

Thought For The Day

Without civic morality communities perish, without personal morality their survival has no value.

—BERTRAND RUSSELL.

PROCEDURE PRESCRIBED AND ESTABLISHED BY LAW

Habeas Corpus Arguments In Supreme Court

NEW DELHI, April 3 (PTI).

ARGUMENTS for the petitioner were concluded in the Supreme Court today in the habeas corpus petition by the Madras "Communist" detenu A. K. Gopalan against the State of Madras.

Mr. M. K. Nambiar, counsel for petitioner continued further arguments "on procedure established by law" as different from "prescribed by law". He referred to certainty of law and the immutable principles of natural justice. The counsel quoted from the U.S. Constitution to support his case on the principles of natural justice.

He dealt with the effect of the article which provides for "procedure established by law" on preventive detention when Mr. Justice Mahajan said that to him it appeared that Articles 19 and 21 of the Constitution did not affect preventive detention which had been specifically provided for under Article 22.

PREVENTIVE DETENTION

Replying to Justice Fazle Ali, the counsel said that the pith and substance of the Preventive Detention Act was the restriction of movements which in essence was restriction of locomotion and hence was covered by Article 19 also.

Dealing with Article 32 of the Constitution which provides for enforcement of the fundamental rights through the Supreme Court, Mr. Nambiar said that right implies remedy and remedy implies the existence of right.

Justice Mahajan interrupting said: "Beyond 19(5) 21/22(7), you have no more than that and therefore the examination of the grounds of detention by the court is no such right".

Counsel then spoke on the functions of the Advisory Board and dealt with the question of detention. The Advisory Board he submitted had a very limited scope.

Arguments on behalf of the Union of India, the intervenor in the case will begin tomorrow when the Attorney-General will address the court.

CANCEL ALL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

Prakasam's Request

MADRAS, April 3, (PTI): Mr. T. Prakasam, former Premier of Madras, in a telegram to the Chairman of the Congress Parliamentary Board, Delhi tonight, stated: "Assumption of jurisdiction by Parliamentary Board, a superior body, prior to consideration and decision on the same subject by the Legislature Congress Party a subordinate body, which is seized of the matter is opposed to principles of jurisprudence, natural justice and equity. Please, therefore, cancel all proceedings of the Board and also notices issued to us and intitimate myself and other members concerned".

Mr Prakasam has sent this telegram in continuation of his replies to the General Secretary of the Congress, Mr. Shakerrao Deo, who had required Mr. Prakasam to withdraw his motion before the Madras Assembly relating to certain charges against some Madras Ministers and to receive his former seat in the ministerial benches of the Assembly.

DELHI TALKS

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confidence among the minorities in these areas.

The officials accompanying Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan have also been jointly studying the same problems with the officials of the Ministry of External Affairs in Delhi in order to assist the two Prime Ministers. These conversations will be continued tomorrow between Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan and also at Secretariat level.

VISITS MUSEUM

Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan and members of his party visited this evening the Indian National Museum at the Government House adds U.P.I. They were shown round by Dr. Tara Chand, Secretary, Ministry of Education, and Pandit Madho Swarup Vats, Deputy Director General of Archaeology.

The Pakistan Prime Minister and party were there for over forty minutes and evinced keen interest in the different collections at the Museum.

Stop Press

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON JULY

NEW YORK, April 3.

Previous closing	.....	32.25
Today's opening	.....	32.21
Difference	.....	—
Today's closing	.....	32.29
Difference	.....	+4

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, April 3.

Stock Exchange opening prices: Anaconda Copper Mining 28, General Motors 77-15/16. United States Steel Common 31-5/16. United States Steel Preference unquoted.

TEA FOR BRITAIN FROM INDIA

Same Quantity As Last Year

LONDON, April 3. (PTI-Reuter): Britain hopes to buy as much tea from India, Pakistan and Ceylon this year as she did last year, Mr Stanley Evans, Under Secretary of the Food Ministry told Parliament today. Negotiations were still going on with the Governments concerned, he added. Last year, Britain contracted to buy 454 million pounds.

Labour Member Thomas Reid asked if the Minister had tried to get tea from Indonesia at a moderate price.

Mr. Evans replied that he hoped to get a small quantity this year

Incident In Howrah

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Roy referred to the firing by a Pakistani armed man on relief workers at Joynagar on Friday last in which one medical student was hit and later succumbed. She said that the nature of protection that the refugees and relief workers could expect from the Government would be evident from the "tragic circumstances in which a valuable young life was lost".

The West Bengal Government have set up a Displaced Persons Seach Service Bureau on the line the Displaced Persons Enquiries and Search Service Organisation of the Government of India, to facilitate contact amongst separated relatives of East and West Bengal. This Search Service, it is hoped, will help anxious people know the whereabouts of their relatives more easily than at present.

KNIFE ATTACKS

LUCKNOW: Four cases of knife attacks were reported from different parts of the city upto 2 p.m. today.

The city is being heavily patrolled by armed police, Curfew has been imposed in Aminabad area also.

Mr. Jaya Prakash Narayan, General Secretary of the Socialist Party of India, and many other leaders of the party, arrived here this morning to attend the meeting of the National Executive of the Socialist Party.

Mr. Asoka Mehta, the Bombay Socialist leader, is arriving tomorrow morning.

The meeting, which commences this afternoon, has before it an important agenda, the main items being discussion of the communal situation in East Bengal and India and drafting of resolutions for the annual conference of the party to be held in Madras in the last week of May.

CHOLERA IN BELONIA

BELONIA (Tripura): Throughout Belonia, where large nubbers of refugees from East Pakistan have arrived, cholera has broken out in an epidemic form. Scarcity of medicines is reported to have accentuated the situation. Some patients are also reported to have died at wayside places, according to the Secretary of Belonia Relief and Rehabilitation Committee. It is even difficult to arrange cremation of the dead bodies which the volunteers are heaping up to bury in trenches.

No response has so far been received from the authorities at Agartala to requests for medical relief. The Marwari Relief Committee working at Agartala has been requested to open a centre at Belonia.

IN JALPAIGURI

JALPAIGURI: The influx of East Bengal refugees into this district continues unabated. According to the latest estimate of the District Rehabilitation Board, the number of refugees has reached 37,000.

Six camps have been opened in the town accommodating more than 2,000 refugees. A large number of refugees have been sheltered temporarily in houses left vacant by Muslims evacuating to Pakistan.

Several Muslims alleged to be associated with the 'Ansar Party' have been arrested here by the police. It is reported that a Muslim in the disguise of a 'sadhu' was recently put under arrest and his communal identity was disclosed from some papers found in his possession.

Two Muslim commissioners of Jalpaiguri Municipality have been detained as security prisoners. Five other Muslims were arrested by the police as "undesirable" elements. Three of them have been granted bail and the others are still detained, pending further enquiries.

Public Accounts Body For Centre

PARLIAMENT ACCEPTS PROPOSAL

NEW DELHI, April 3.

PARLIAMENT agreed today to two motions by the Finance Minister for election of a Public Accounts Committee of fifteen members and an Estimates Committee of 25 members.

The Minister withdraw his motion for the election of a Standing Finance Committee after a brief debate in which members expressed themselves strongly against his proposal not to continue as a member of the Committee or be its Chairman.

The Minister's motion in regard to the Standing Finance Committee provided that the Chairman of the Committee will be nominated by the Speaker. Replying to Mr. B. Das, the Minister indicated that it was his intention not to continue as a member of the Standing Finance Committee. He was of the opinion that the Committee would be able to function better if he was not a member of its Chairman.

The Minister said that when the Committee discussed routine matters, senior officers of the Finance Ministry would be present. In matters involving questions of policy or principle, if the Committee desired his presence he would be there.

Dr. Matthai said that proposals coming before the Committee were examined and approved by the Ministry and he was placed in an embarrassing position when the Committee took a different view. Again later on, if the Government had to take a contrary view in regard to the advice of the Committee, he was again placed in an embarrassing position. His work also was so much that sometimes he found it difficult to attend the meetings which had to be postponed.

This was a signal for a debate when members paid tributes to the Minister's spirit of accommodation and reasonableness, and need for his presence on the Committee.

Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari felt that if the Minister was not a member, he might lose personal contact with such an important Committee and the Committee's work might suffer. He suggested that the motion might be held over for the next day to give the Finance Minister time to consider this view.

SUBJECTS TACKLED

Replying to Mr. H. V. Kamath, Dr. Matthai said that items of expenditure involving an annual recurring amount of over a lakh of rupees were placed before the Committee.

He said matters like deputation of officers, etc., of urgent importance would not come up before the Committee.

Dr. Matthai said that personally he felt that the Standing Finance Committee, which would have to take decisions independent of his Ministry should have him only as an Advisor.

Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya thought the motion closed the door on the Finance Minister being a member of the Committee or its Chairman. This should not be done.

Mr. Ramnath Goenka, a member of the Committee, expressed the fear that if the Finance Minister was allowed to get away from the chairmanship, other Ministers would "slowly get out of other committees", and "the affairs of the Standing Finance Committee and the Standing Committees will become a farce." The Minister's help in the work of the Committee, which was the only committee that considered the financial proposals of all the Ministries, had been "valuable" and in his absence its work "will run into chaos". He appealed to the Finance Minister "not to desert" the Standing Finance Committee.

Mr. D. P. Karmarkar also pleaded that, under the present conditions, in spite of the embarrassment to the Minister, he must be a member of the Committee and continue as its Chairman.

The Finance Minister, moving for leave to withdraw his motion, said the Government would re-examine the question in the light of the debate. The House granted him leave.

Saurashtra Scheme Approved

NEW DELHI, April 3, (PTI): The Government of India have given their approval to the Saurashtra Government's scheme for training 114 displaced persons in workshops of the Saurashtra Railway. The trainees, it is expected, will be absorbed in employment in the railway workshops after their training is completed.

SINKIANG NEW FOCAL POINT OF ASIAN POLITICS

Owen Lattimore's Thesis

NEW YORK, April 3 (PTI-Reuter): Sinkiang, China's south-western province, is a new focal point of Asian politics in a book published here this week which gains topical interest both by its author and subject.

The book, entitled "Pivot of Asia", is by Mr. Owen Lattimore, State Department Adviser and one of the world's foremost authorities on inner Asia. Recently he has come under the lash of Senator Joseph McCarthy in his charges of "Communist influence" in the State Department.

The United States Secretary of State only yesterday accused Russia of "apparently resuming on a grand scale their detachment of the Sinkiang Province from China".

Lattimore's thesis is that a new centre of gravity now forming in inner Asia has, in terms of power politics, two outstanding characteristic: accessibility for the kinds of power at Russia's disposal and inaccessibility for American power.

"In terms of ideology, it is a whirlpool in which meet political currents flowing from China, Russia, India and the Moslem Middle East".

Lattimore sees Russia and China as "two great federative states similar to each other in the Communist orientation, but not identical with each other in their domestic interests". He predicts that China's new Communist Government will have more authority in Sinkiang than any Chinese Government for many decades, but adds:

"The gathering momentum of Soviet prestige is enhanced by the withdrawal of other powers that were once great in inner Asia".

"With British power withdrawn from India, neither India nor Pakistan has the kind of power that can project its influence as deeply into inner Asia as that of Britain once did".

Regional Commissioners To Meet Today

NEW DELHI, April 3 (PTI): Regional Commissioner and Advisers of the Unions of Saurashtra, Madhya Bharat, Rajasthan and PEPSU, will meet in a conference with the officials of the States Ministry here tomorrow, it is learnt.

Mr. V. P. Menon, Adviser to the States Ministry, will preside.

The Conference which will last for a day will discuss the functions of Regional Commissioners and Advisers under the new Constitution.

SIRRY PASHA RESIGNS

Chief Of Egyptian Royal Cabinet

CAIRO, April 3, (PTI-Reuter): Hussein Sirry Pasha, Chief of the Royal Cabinet and former Egyptian Premier, has resigned, it was officially announced here today.

No explanation accompanied the surprise official announcement only three months' after Sirry Pasha's appointment.

Sirry Pasha himself refused to comment.

An independent politician, Sirry Pasha has twice been Egyptian Prime Minister.

TEHERAN: Persia's new Prime Minister Ali Mensuaday presented his cabinet list to Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlevi, the third Persian Cabinet in two months. The Premier himself temporarily assumed also the Finance Ministry.

Hussain Ali Khan, Ambassador in Washington, remained Foreign Minister as in the February caretaker Government.

SOUTH KOREAN TRADE MISSION

Arriving In Bombay

BOMBAY, Monday.

A South Korean Trade Mission consisting of about 15 members is expected to arrive in Bombay in the third week of May, it is learnt.

The Mission will visit various trade centres in South Asia, including Karachi, Bombay, Calcutta and Colombo.

Ahmedabad Mill Owners Association

AHMEDABAD, April 3, (PTI): Mr. Chandulal P. Parikh was elected President of the Ahmedabad Millowners' Association for 1950/51 at the annual general meeting of the Association held today.

PLOTTING AGAINST BULGARIA

26 Persons Sentenced

SOFIA, April 3, (PTI-Reuter): A Bulgarian court today sentenced the two chief defendants to life imprisonment in the trial here of 26 Bulgarians and Yugoslavs accused of plotting to assassinate Soviet Marshal Klementi Voroshilov and Bulgarian Cabinet Ministers, the Bulgarian newsagency reported.

All the accused were found guilty. Four were sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment, ten to ten years, two to 8 years, five to 6 years, one to 3 years and four months and two to 2 years and two months.

The court pronounced sentence after declaring all 26 guilty of being members of a Trotkyist subversive centre in Yugoslavia which is said was organised by Marshal Tito and his Vice-Premier General Alexander Rankovitch.

The organisation aimed at overthrowing or weakening the Bulgarian regime by coup d'etat, sedition, revolt and other crimes constituting a public danger, the judgment added.

Nine had pleaded guilty to spying for the "trotzkyist centre" and ulanning to assassinate Marshal Voroshilov when he took the salute as guest of honour at a Marchayast the Bulgarian Premier Georgei Dimitrov's tomb last September.

Two Footboard Travellers Killed

PATNA, April 3 (PTI): Two persons died and nine others were seriously injured in a train accident near the Patna station last night. A signal post is reported to have struck them while they were travelling on footboard in the down Patna-Gaya train.

The condition of three of the injured is reported to be precarious.

Political Propaganda By French Communists

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to understand how narrow-minded and dangerous it would be to put the workers' movement on the economic plane only."

M. Duclos did not devote much guidance to the second item on the Congress agenda.

WOOING FARMERS

Every time a general election draws near, the Communist Party makes a new attempt to win over French farmers and farm workers.

The propaganda and infiltration to be carried out in agricultural districts, rather than the farming policy of the party in the event of victory, will be the theme of M. Rochet's report, according to M. Duclos.

"It is indispensable that our work in agricultural districts be improved and stepped up; that our Party link itself closely to the masses; that our newspapers enter the villages in ever greater numbers; and that committees for the defence of peace he formed among farmers."

Each delegate, elected by federal conferences in regional centres, has bought five pamphlets at Party bookstores for a total cost of 68 francs (1/4½d.).

PARTY LINE

In one 64-page, green-covered booklet, he has read the three Cominform resolutions dealing with:

1. The defence of peace and the fight against the warmongers;
2. Unity among the working classes and the tasks of the Communist and Workers' Parties; and
3. The Yugoslav Party's fall into the hands of assassins and spies.

The Central Committee's resolutions have provided delegates with another version of the Cominform resolutions;

1. Action for peace and the way to unity;
2. The fight for unity,
3. The fight for peace;
4. The fight against the assassins and spies of the Tito gang.

It is recalled that the theme of M. Maurice Thorez before the Central Committee in December was: "We must fight for peace without fear, remembering that there can be no struggle without sacrifices."

The Party statutes state: "The Congress is the highest authority in the Party. In principle, it is called together every two years by the Central Committee.

"The Congress makes decisions related to the Party's programme of action, as well as on all political, tactical and organisational matters.

"The Congress elects a new Central Committee."

But above all, the Congress is designed to make the impact of the latest Cominform directive felt throughout the one-million member Party in France.

THE CONFERENCE

The life of delegates during the Congress is carefully planned for them by the Party Secretariat. They are billeted with local Party members. They have all their meals at a Party canteen especially organised for the occasion. Special cinema showings are organised at local theatres.

Inside the meeting hall, strict discipline is enforced. Each sitting starts exactly on time. Delegates are not allowed to leave their seats during speeches.

Reporters are allowed to attend, but are refused all advance information about the number of delegates expected to be present or the names of envoys from foreign Communist Parties.

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MINORITIES PACT

Mr. Masani Suggests A Mixed Commission

BOMBAY, Monday.

MR. M. R. MASANI, Chairman of the United Nations Sub-Commission on Discrimination and Minorities, suggested here today that India and Pakistan should enter into a 'Minorities Treaty', instead of passively awaiting international developments in the field of protection of minorities.

The supervision and enforcement of such a treaty should, according to Mr. Masani, be entrusted to a mixed Commission with a neutral President to ensure objectivity and avoid deadlock.

Mr. Masani, who was addressing the Progressive Group of Bombay at the Greens Hotel, on "The Indo-Pakistan Minorities Problem—A Way Out" added: "The Commission could maintain a mixed team of observers of each side of the border who could rush to the spot in case of need, thus acting as a deterrent to attacks on minorities, exaggerated reports and the resultant panic and deterioration in relations between the two countries.

Such a treaty, he said, should be within the framework of the United Nations and he felt confident that it would be welcomed by the world and would also bring much-needed reassurance to those who were today the victims of insecurity and fear.

U. N. WORK

Observing that a bright future for both countries was contingent on the successful outcome of the momentous discussions now proceeding in Delhi, the speaker reviewed the progress made by the League of Nations and the United Nations in the field of protection of minorities which had certain lessons to teach them in dealing with their own problems. Since public opinion in neither country was prepared, in the light of developments, to accept the logical implications of partition and of national sovereignty, the only hope for a solution lay along the lines of a pact which would guarantee the minorities concerned security, equal treatment with other nationals, and the preservation of certain cultural, religious and linguistic traditions or characteristic precious to them.

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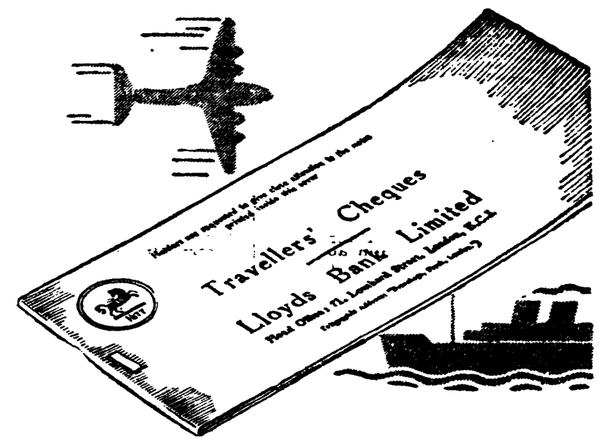

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GOAN SPORTS TRIUMPH IN SECOND REPLAY

Bhimraj S.C. Beaten 2-0 In Aga Khan Tournament

BOMBAY Monday.

GOAN SPORTS CLUB triumphed over Bhimraj S. C. by two goals to nil in their second replay in the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament this evening at the Bombay Gymkhana Ground.

Goan Sports gave an improved display today with a strengthened attack which made full use of the opportunities that came their way.

Bhimraj effected a few changes in their side which did duty for them in the two previous outings with the result that their attack which was quite capable but lacked the necessary finish was further paralysed and from the numerous chances that came their way they could have easily neutralised the early lead and in the second half could have wiped out the two nil deficit. But their forward were unable to get the better of the opposing defence who worked hard to hold them in check.

The exchanges were fairly even throughout the game and play was from end to end with each goal being visited in turn but the rival defences held off these attacks. Goan sports forged into the lead in the twelth of minute following an attractive move between their inner trio with the ball travelling from inside right N. Rodrigues who in turn sent it across to B. Fernandes who in turn gave E. Correa a fine through which he took advantage of and beat the onrushing custodian with a neat scoop.

Bhimraj made determined efforts to equalise but their moves all fizzled out at the top of the Goan circle with J. D'Souza and G. D'Costa tackling effectively.

Just before the whistle sounded for the interval Bhimraj were placed further in arrears when M. Abreo drove the ball to the boards off a rebound of the goalie's pads following a penalty corner. After the interval Bhimraj tried hard to reduce the margin of defeat and though they attacked for long spells they were unable to master the Goan defence. Their best chance came when N. Misquitta broke through and tried to net from close in but the goalkeeper foiled him.

THE TEAMS WERE AS FOLLOWS:—

GOAN SPORTS CLUB:—R. Antao, J. D'Souza and G. D'Costa; D. Pereira, R. Rodrigues and C. Pereira; M. Abreo, N. Rodrigues, B. Fernandes, E. Correa, and J. Carvalho.

BHIMRAJ S. S.—:—Bhuja Hussein; B. Stokes, and P. B. Vaidya; D. Jadhav, R. More, and M. Dalvi; T. Tambe, N. Misquitta, S. Tambe, L. Tambe and V. Jadhav.

UMPIRES:—Z. D'Silva and N. Mendonca.

Junior Harwood League

BOMBAY, Monday.

Three matches were played in the Junior Harwood League this evening at the St. Xavier's College Ground, Parel.

Mazagaon Dock 'A' beat Lever Bros. 'B' by four goals to one in the third division. The goalgetters were Michael (two), Thornber and Marshal (one each) for the winners while A. Pereira scored for the losers.

In the fourth division, Asian Sports Club drew with Thomas Cook, each side scoring once. V. Shetty netted for the former while L. Hossit scored for the latter.

In the fifth division confined to schools, St. Sebastian High School 'B' beat F.I.E.S. High School by the odd goal in five. M. Nunes, G. Peris and C. Mendes for St. Sebastian's while V. Samuel and R. Rutnam for the F.I. E.S. High School.

I. A. M. C. Hockey Final Ends In Draw

POONA, April 3 (PTI)—Defence Minister Sardar Baldev Singh and Bakshi Gulam Ahmed, Deputy Prime Minister, Jammu and Kashmir, were amongst the large gathering present to witness the final of the IAMC Hockey Tournament between Poona (South) and Lucknow (North) on the Sub-area grounds today. The game ended in a draw despite twenty minutes extra play.

While Lucknow was superior in mid-field with the forwards combining like a well-oiled machine, the home team's defence was impregnable with Pindi Das at his best.

It was a fast and exciting final and the draw was the correct index of the game.

The date of the replay will be announced later by the Secretary.

In the Day's Sport

FOOTBALL

St. Xavier's College Ground, Parel
3-30 p.m. B.P.T.S.C. vs. Elphinstone

Mills III Division

4-30 p.m. Antonio D'Silva High School vs. St. Sebastian High School 'A' (V Division)
5-30 p.m. Worli United vs. Congress Seva Dal (IV Division).

HOCKEY

Bombay Gymkhana Ground
4-20 p.m. Catholic Gymkhana vs. "Times of India" (Aga Khan Tournament).
5-40 p.m. Grey's 'A' vs. Bombay City 'A' (Hayes Cup Final).

AQUATIC GALA IN BOMBAY

British Team Of 18 Includes 15 Women

BOMBAY, April 3 (PTI)—Mr. Tom Perry, manager of the British aquatic team, scheduled to give aquatic entertainment here for two weeks arrived in Bombay today by air from London.

Mr. Perry told the press that his team consisting of 18 members—3 men and 15 women—was arriving here by air from London on Thursday at the invitation of the Golvala Baths, Bombay. The team he said, would give from April 7, performances for two weeks which would include crazy aquatic stunts, diving, slapstick water comedy and a meramaid lagoon sequence in illuminated oyster beds.

After the performances in Bombay, Mr. Perry said, the team might tour India.

Holder Selvaraj In Final

WESTERN INDIA SNOOKER

BOMBAY, Monday.

The holder of the Western India Snooker title, T. A. Selvaraj, entered the final again this year, when he easily accounted for K. P. Pavri in the semi-final this evening by four frames to one.

The victory of the former Indian National champion, was readily gained, and although Selvaraj dropped one frame, his game today was of a high order, and at no stage did he have any cause for worrying.

After winning the first two frames, Selvaraj lost the next one by 29 points to 40, but made no mistake in the next two frames, and emerged triumphant. The only break worth mentioning during the entire game was the one by Selvaraj of 27, scored in the last frame.

The scores in favour of Selvaraj read as, 54—37, 54—42, 29—40, 58—33 and 75—23

FONTENAY'S WELCOME RETURN TO FORM

Injured Horse Of Last Year Wins At Long Camps

PARIS, April 2 (PTI-Reuter)—The horse which went lame last April and did not race again until last Sunday, when beaten a head at Sprint club today won the Thousand Pounds Sterling Prix de Ganay for four year olds and upwards over one and quarter miles at the opening of Longcamp's Racecourse. He was Fontenay by Tornado out of Flying Colours and English jockey Charlie Smirke crossed over for the successful ride.

Amour Drake second in last year's Derby was beaten by two lengths in a thrilling finish with the sixteen to ten favourite in a field of ten runners Djeddah third another length and half away.

All carried nine stone two pounds. Parimutuel dividends to a ten france stake were 59 for win and 15, 13 and 15 for places.

Fontenay made his effort just after entering the straight and Smirke raced into first place. Djeddah challenged and Amour Drake came up on the outside but Fontenay resisted gallantly to win easily.

No British Boxer On World Role Of Honour

LONON, April 2 (PTI-Reuter)—Britain, who held two world boxing championships at the beginning of the year is now without a representative on the world roll of honour.

Freddie Mills' cruiserweight crown has gone back to America and Rinty Monaghan has relinquished his flyweight championship because of ill-health.

Erlier hopes of a third title the bantamweight, coming to Britain are now receding into the background as efforts to match America's Manuel Ortiz with the British champion Danny O'Sullvan meet only with frustration.

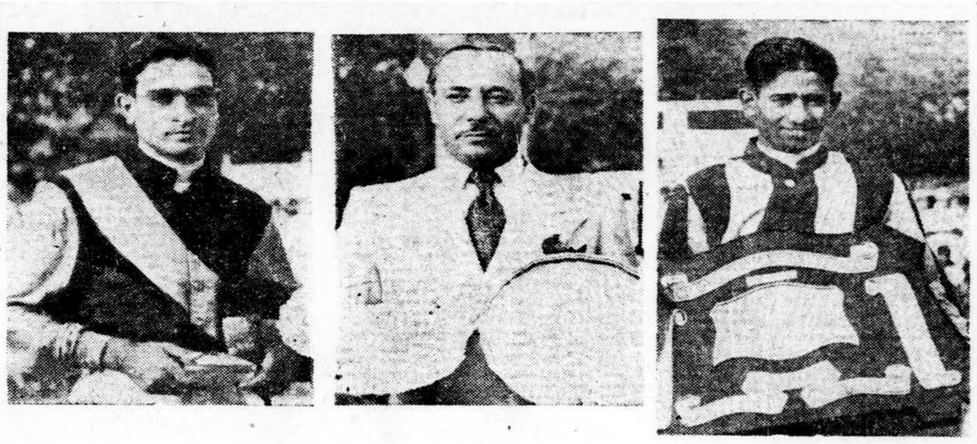
A victory for Bruce Woodcock over Lee Savold of the United States in June would put Britain back into the picture but subsequent recognition of him as world heavyweight champion might not get universal approval.

Terry Allen, has some hope of regaining the flyweight crown which has not gone outside Britain since Jackie Brown won it in 1932 and was followed by Benny Lynch, Peter Kane, Jackie Paterson and Monaghan.

Allen has fought a draw with Monaghan when the latters title was at stake. He has been matched with Honours Pratesi of France in a fight which, it is hoped, will be recognised as for the world title.

He faces a difficult task against the French champion who has already gained a points victory over him.

Champions Of Bombay Racing Season



Bombay's racing came to a successful conclusion with the holding of the Hospital Day on Sunday, and thus ended a momentous five-month season of a sport considered by many as the King of Sports. Outstanding performances by the Indian-bred horses were easily the best seen so far in the history of Indian racing. The champion Indian horse, the five-year-old Illuminate—Hooishe cold BALAM, established himself as the best money spinner, and won in all of his six starts this season, and had rare distrnction of sweeping everything before him, including heavy defeats inflicted on some of the best thoroughbreds in the country. The Talib-trained winner of last year's Indian Derby, created two new course timings. As promising as BALAM, comes yet another youngster from the Talib yard, who has also carried all before him in maiden season. The newcomer is none other than Maharaja of Morvi's three-year-old NATIONAL FLAG, who won in all his four outings in his first season. On Sunday, the last day of racing, NATIONAL FLAG became the first Indian horse ever, to win a class three race in his first year of racing.

Shown above are the leading trainer (centre) leading jockey, and the champion apprentice jockey. The astute trainer—A. L. J. Talib's 39 1/2 wins, 26 seconds, 24 thirds and 15 fourths from among his 207 runners in all, record is one worthy of the highest merit. On the left is jockey Kheemsingh, who topped the list of winning jockeys with 42 winning mounts, which equals the old record of Edgar Britt, who also was astride an equal number of winners in a season. On the right is a picture of apprentice jockey Purtu Singh, who has outclassed the rest of his rivals with 24 victories to his credit.

LUCK, A BIG FACTOR IN GRAND NATIONAL

It Is World's Hardest Race To Win

LONDON, April 2 (PTI-Reuter).

THE PICTURES TAKEN OF THE GRAND NATIONAL RUN OVER FOUR AND HALF MILES AT AINTREE LAST WEEK AND WON BY THE JOINT-FAVOURITE FREEBOOTER SERVE AS A GOOD LESSON TO THOSE WHO "THROW THEIR MONEY AWAY" BY BACKING HORSES IN THIS FAMOUS STEEPLE CHASE.

As the race was run three horses might very well have won it, Freebooter, Cloncarrig and the mare Angel Hill. Any number of others might also have won had they kept their feet early on. We are, however confining the "post mortem" to the three, who on the last half of the final circuit were there with a wonderful chance.

First there was the mare Angel Hill, one of the few of her sex in the race. She had only six more fences to jump and was going along splendidly in front several lengths, some said as much as ten ahead of her rivals.

Those who had backed her, and they were many despite her comparatively long price of 33 to one, were feeling very pleased with themselves, as indeed they were entitled to be.

MORE LUCK

Then came one of those things which make the Grand National the hardest race in the world to win and the one in which more luck is required than any other.

The mare spotted a gap in the 24th fence. Now horses may be dumb but they are remarkably clever, almost human, in many respects. Angel Hill thought to herself, just as a human being would have done, "This is where I take it easy and save myself the trouble of jumping by going through the gap."

So, her jockey confirmed, she pulled him away to the hole in the hedge and tried to brush her way through it. A man would perhaps have sensed the trouble but a horse is not all that clever. She dragged her legs through the torn brushwood and over she toppled.

Her supporters had in a trice had their cup of triumph dashed from their lips. Had there been no gap in that fence she would have taken it as well as she had taken the others and would doubtless have gone on to win.

Her fall left the issue between two, Cloncarrig, who was a shade in front, and Freebooter. Obviously it was now a match between the two and the supporters of each were breathless with excitement. Every eye was glued to this duel. They both cleared the 25th fence, and the 26th and the 27th and the 28th; only two more to go now and both of them apparently going quite well. It looked as if it might be the most exciting race for years.

TRAGEDY

Then came the tragedy for the supporters of Cloncarrig. He took off to clear the penultimate fence just before his rival Freebooter, made just the slightest mistake and down he came leaving the field clear for Freebooter to go on and win very easily.

Those who had backed Cloncarrig—and he carried the full confidence of his south country stable, even though he had twice previously failed to complete the course—were dumbfounded.

This little slip had meant a difference of thousands of pounds. Even had he got round to finish second there would have been some nice place money to come. As it was, there were just bills to settle. And what about the winner? Was he lucky? Quite apart from the falls of Angel Hill and Cloncarrig he as nearly as anything came down at the "chair" fence, the fifteenth, the first time round.

Rider Jimmy Power was thrown right on to the horses neck as he stumbled on landing but just managed to keep his seat. A fraction of more movement on the part of the horse, or a little less dexterity on the part of the jockey and that would have been the end of Freebooter's chances of winning the coveted gold trophy.

Yardley May Lead England Against West Indies

HUTTON'S BENEFIT MATCH AGAINST MIDDLESEX

LONDON, April 3 (PTI-Reuter)

CRICKETERS are awaking from winter hibernation, and from now on county grounds will be the scene of great activity as the players get in some intensive practice in readiness for the opening of 1950 season at the end of April.

Perfect physical fitness is needed for the gruelling task of six days cricket each week for more than four months, and many players have been doing light training for some weeks. Keenest of these has probably been 40-year old Laurie Fishlock, Surrey an England lefthander who has been doing track work and physical jerks, with the Fulham football team in London.

Northamptonshire, the surprise team of last season under the inspiring leadership of Freddie Brown, former England captain, hope to do even better this year. They are to have a thorough preparation, and all players, amateur and professional will undergo an intensive course of physical training and roadwork prior to practising at the nets.

Yorkshire, who came with a finishing burst to share the country championship with Middlesexr last season, are looking forward to a successful season under the continued captiancy of Norman Yardley.

Except for young Brian Close, now in the army, and spin bowler Ellis Robinson, all last year's players are available. It is hoped that more young players like Close, Lowson and Trueman will be given chances.

A big event of the summer is Len Hutton's benefit match. He has chosen the game with Middlesex, joint champions, and it will be played at Leeds on July 15, 17 and 18.

Now that Yardley will be available as captain, he will probably be favourite for the job of leading England against the powerful West Indies touring team. If he can run into form he will be a strong candidate for the captaincy of the England team to tour Australia at the end of the year.

VICTORIA CLUB CALL-OVER

Little Business Done On First Day

LONDON, April 3. (PTI-Reuter): Little business was transacted and there was a small attendance at the first callover on the Two Thousand Guineas and Derby at the Victoria Club tonight.

The Golden Road, probable mount of champion jockey, Gordon Richards, was made joint 100 to 8 favourite with Masked Light for the Derby.

Richards has never won a Derby, although he has ridden the favourite on four occasions.

The Golden Road was offered at six to one for the Two Thousand Guineas for which Masked Light and the Aga Khan's Palestine were joint three to one favourites.

Two French horses, Madame Volterra's L'Amiral and Marcel Boussac's Geraphar were both quoted at 100 to six for the Epson classic.

Quotations were:

TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS: Three to one Masked Light and Palestine, Six to one The Golden Road, One hundred to eight/three.

THE DERBC: One hundred to eight Masked Light and The Golden Road, One hundred to six L Amiral Geraphar and Castle Rock.

Ex-Judge Arrested For Rash Driving

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, April 3.

An ex-judge of the Allahabad High Court was arrested for alleged rash driving resulting in the death of one person. The deceased, a young man employed in the court of wards was riding a motor cycle with which the ex-judge's motor cycle collided.

John Marshall Shatters Another World Record

BETTERS FURUHASHI'S TIMING FOR 440 YDS. FREESTYLE

NEW HAVEN (CONNECTICUT), APRIL 2 (PTI-REUTER).

JOHN MARSHALL, THE 20-YEAR-OLD AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIC SWIMMER NOW AT YALE UNIVERSITY, SHATTERED THE WORLD SWIMMING RECORD FOR 440 YARDS FREESTYLE BY OVER SEVEN SECONDS LAST NIGHT TO COMPLETE THE GREATEST INDIVIDUAL TRIUMPH IN THE HISTORY OF THE NATIONAL AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION CHAMPIONSHIPS.

His time was 4 minutes 31.2 seconds and he finished 17 yards ahead of his Yale teammate, Jimmy McClane. Marshall also broke the accepted world 400 metres record of 4 minutes 34.6 seconds and the pending mark of 4 minutes 33.3 seconds, both of which were set up by Japan's champion Hironoshin Furuhashi last year.

Marshall flashed across the 400 metres line in 4 minutes 29.5 seconds

His time for the 440 yards was well inside the recognised record of 4 minutes 38.5 seconds, held by Bill Smith (Ohio) and is three seconds faster than his own pending record of 4 minutes 34.8 seconds established last month.

It was Marshall's third and greatest victory in the Championships for he won the 1,500 metres on Thursday breaking the record for the meeting by 58 seconds and took the 220 yards freestyle on Friday when he slashed international records for 220 yards and 200 metres.

He was acclaimed today by critics as a swimming star of the first magnitude.

SCOTLAND MAKES FIVE CHANGES

Team To Play Britain In Soccer

GLASGOW, April 3 (PTI-Reuter)—Scotland make five changes and for the first time since the 1947-48 season include more than two Anglo-Scots in their team to meet England at Hampden Park here on April 15.

The team contains two new 'caps" in McCoil (Rangers) and Moir (Felton) and four Anglo-Scots.

Team is as follows: Cowan (Morton), Young (Rangers), (Captain), Cox (Rangers), McCog (Rangers), Woodburn (Rangers), Forbes (Arsenal): Waddell (Rangers,) Moi. (Bolto) Houliston (Queen of South) Steel (Derby) Liddell (Liverpool).

Reserves to travel: Evans (Celtic) and Reilly (Hibernians).

TRIPLE CROWN FOR JOHNNY LEACH

Former World Champion Wins U.S. Table Tennis

ST. LOUIS (Mssouri), April 3.

Johnny Leach, of Britain, former world champion, carried off three titles in the annual United States table tennis championships here last night.

He won the men's singles tille beating Bill Holzerichter 21-11, 21-17, 22-20. He and his partner Jack Carrington, won the doubles final defeating Allan Levy and Holzerichter 21-15, 21-15, 21-6 and with Sally Green Prouty, an American, he won the mixed doubles title beating Bill Price and Reba Monness 15-21, 21-17, 21-17.

AUSTRALIAN TOURISTS WIN BY INNINGS

Wellington Dismissed for Sixty In Second Knock

WELLINGTON, April 3. (PTI-Reuter)—The Australian cricket touriste in New Zealand beat Wellington by an innings and 85 runs here today.

The tourists carried Saturday's score of 160 for three to 270 before the innings ended. Wellington, who made 125 in their first innings, were all out for sixty in their second knock. R. Howard the Victorian opening bat scored 91 for the Australians. Len Johnson, Queensland fastmedium bowler took six Wellington second innings wickets for 20 runs. Jack Iverson, the Victorian slow bowler took 2 for 12.

NEW DELHI, April 3 (PTI): The Government of India have circulated a bill for cow protection to the governments of different States and Provinces, Seth Govind Das, M.P. and the President of the All India Cow Protection Society told a press conference here today.

ITALY LIKELY FAVOURITES FOR EUROPEAN ZONE OF DAVIS CUP

Phillipines Certain To Provide Very Strong Opposition

LONDON, April 2 (PTI-Reuter).

ITALY again led by stocky Iovannia Cucelli are expected to start favourites to win the European Zone of the Davis Cup lawn tennis competition this summer for the second successive year.

All but four of the twentysix nations challenging the United States have elected to compete in the European Zone.

Finland, Pakistan, Peru, Phlippines and Poland are new entries while seven nations who competed in 1949 have dropped out—Argentina, Chile, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Portugal, South Africa and Turkey.

Drawn in the lower half of the zone, Italy faces a stiff task as both Yugoslavia and France-semifinalists last year—are in this section.

Competing in this zone for the first time since the war the Philippines drawn in the top half may well spring a surprise and battle their way to the zone final.

Italy open their challenge in May with a visit to Britain and though the home side will have the advantage of playing on grass, Italy's all round strength should carry them through without much difficulty. Leading Italian players have been putting up some fine performances nearly season tournaments on the Riviera, particularly Ronaldo Del Bello who is expected to challenge his brother Marcello for second spot in the team.

Main opposition to Italy early on will probably come from Yugoslavia but they should win through to the semifinal where they would probably clash with France or Denmark for a place in the final.

The Philippines began their campaign with a match against Pakistan. A win here would pit them against Peru unknown quantity so far as tennis in Europe is concerned. It hardly seems likely Peru are strong enough to hold this formidable Filipino team paced by their dynamo little champion Felicismo Ampon, recent winner of the All-Indian title in Allahabad. Strongest threat to the Philippines probably will come from Hungary, another semifinalist in 1949 or Sweden.

On known form at this early stage in the European season everything points to a zone final between Italy and the Philippines. As the final need not be completed before August 1, the zone winner probably will have to fly to the United States as the inter-zonal final has been fixed for August 11, 12 and 13.

Australia will almost certainly provide the opposition on that occasion.

TRUNK TELEPHONE CALLS

Reduced Charges

NEW DELHI, April 3 (UPI)—From April 1, 1950, a reduction has been affected in the maximum charges for inland trunk telephone calls and an alteration has been made in the periods during which trunk calls can be put through at half and one-third rates respectively says a press note.

The maximum charge for an ordinary trunk call during the full rate period has been reduced from Rs. 16 to Rs. 12 for an urgent call the rates had been reduced from Rs. 32 to Rs. 24. The charges for an ordinary call during the half rate period has been reduced from Rs. 8 to Rs. 6 whereas for an urgent call, it has been cut down from Rs. 16 to Rs. 12. During the one-third rate period the maximum charges for an ordinary call has been brought down from Rs. 5-5-0 to Rs. 4 and for an urgent call from Rs. 10-11-0 to Rs. 8.

Full rates are charged for trunk calls effected between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. on working days. The half rate period has been fixed at between 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. to midnight on working days. On Sundays and principal telegraph holidays, half rates are charged between 6 am. and midnight trunk telephone calls at one-third rate are charged if effected between midnight and 6 on all week days.

LADY HARDINGE HOSPITAL

Injunction Against Transfer

NEW DELHI, April 3 (PTI)—The District Judge, Delhi, passed orders today, granting temporary injunction against the Governing Body of the Lady Hardinge Hospital and college directing it not to transfer the control of the hospital and the college to the Central Government.

The order was passed on an application by one Mrs. Iyer an old student of the Lady Hardinge Medical College and others praying for a declaration and perpetual injunction against the Governing Body on the ground that the resolution passed by it proposing to hand over the institution was illegal and ultra vires.

The Disrict Judge issued an interim injunction directing the defendants to restrain from handing over the institution to the Government and issued notice to them to show cause by April 10 why a permanent injunction should not be issued.

AN UNCALLED FOR RESOLUTION

Madras Minister's View

MADRAS, April 3, (PTI): Mr. K. Madhava Menon, Education and Law Minister of Madras, today characterised as "absolutely uncalled for" the resolution adopted by the Andhra Provincial Congress Executive on the Communist raids in parts of Andhradesa.

"It is most unfortunate on the part of the Executive of the Andhra Provincial Congress to have adopted such a resolution", the Minister said. "It showed want of appreciation on its part of what the Madras Government have been doing to put down Communist violence in those areas".

RUSSIA AND POLAND WALK OUT

China's Representation Question

LAKE SUCCESS, April 3, (PTI-Reuter): The Soviet Union and Poland walked out of the United Nations Social Commission today because China was represented there by the Nationalists and not by the Communists.

The delegates, Mr. V I. Formashev, representing the Soviet Union and Mr. Julius Katz-Suchy, Poland, both stalked from the room after the Commission had sustained by twelve votes to three a ruling by the chair that the Russian demand for expulsion of the Chinese Nationalist delegate was out of order.

This is the eighteenth time a Russian delegate has walked out from a United Nations body over the issue of Chinese representation.

POSTAL DELIVERY IN EVERY VILLAGE

CALCUTTA, April 3 (UPI)—A proposal to introduce daily postal delivery services for all villages in the country is under active consideration of the Government of India, learns the United Press.

The Posts and Telegraphs Advisory Committee, it is learnt, has suggested to the Government that more post offices should be opened in big villages and also in villages where the population is appreciably large. The Committee has also suggested the introduction of saving bank accounts in village post offices with a view to providing banking facilities to the rural population.

Opening Firmness Attracts Increased Selling

COTTON MILL SHARES EASY AND STEELS STEADY

BOMBAY, April 3.

Meeting in a cordial atmosphere of two Prime Ministers at Delhi on Sunday was responsible for opening gains on the Bombay Stock Exchange but there being no follow-up on the buying side, quotations declined on renewed selling by the recent buyers. As pointed out before the market feeling continues hesitant and professional operators are holding aloof awaiting fresh incentives. Recent publications of company reports show comparatively small profits and particularly cotton mills do not indicate any helpful indication in view of lower production and increased cost. Investors are not inclined to enter in the market in view of seasonal demand for funds

Tata Steel Defds opened at Rs. 1606 against the previous close at Rs. 1600 and declined at Rs. 1595 on renewed selling. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 319 and declined at Rs. 316. Indian Irons were done at Rs. 28-7 while Bengal Steels changed hands around Rs. 20.

Cotton Mill shares were easy with increased selling pressure. Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 1047 and declined at Rs. 1033. Kohinoor Mill shares opened at Rs. 314 and declined at Rs. 310. Svadeshi Mill shares opened at Rs. 270 and quietened at Rs. 268. Scindia shares opened at Rs. 13-5 and declined at Rs. 13-2 while Bombay Burmas opened at Rs. 444 and declined at Rs. 437.

It was said that Tata Iron and Steel Co's production for the month of March was 62400 tons but in view of more working days in March there was no attraction. Tata Steel Defds. after declining at Rs 1592/8 rallied at Rs. 1597/12. Ordinary shares after declining at Rs. 315 steadied at Rs. 316/8. Bombay Dyeings after declining at Rs. 1032/8 recovered at Rs. 1037/8 while Kohinoors after declining at Rs. 308 steadied at Rs. 310.

Towards the close Tata Steel Defds. were quoted at Rs. 1600 and Ordinary Shares stood at Rs. 316. Bombay Dyeings were done at Rs. 1038 and Bombay Burmas were placed at Rs. 440. Closing tone was quietly steady.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES	
Bombay Dyeing (17-8)	1038 12
Kohinoor Mills (4-2)	311 0
Svadeshi Mills (12-4)	269 0
Central India Mills (6)	232 0
Simplex Mills (6-8)	191 0
New Great Eastern (8)	146 0
Indore (8-13)	112 8
Gokak Mills (12)	263 8
Century Spinning (15)	238 12
Indian Bleaching (6)	150 0
Swan Mills (20)	322 8
Finlay Mills (15)	260 8
Morarji Goculdas (S)	150 0
Edward Sassoon (30)	220 0
Meyer (12)	88 12
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	2 12
India United Ord. (0-14-9)	11 15 6
India United Defd. (0-2-6)	1 13 6
Madhusudan (15)	180 0
Podar (S)	130 8
Khatau Makanji (6)	163 12
Swadeshi Coupon	68 0
STEEL SHARES	
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	317 8
Tata Steel Defd. (64-15)	1605 0
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (7-12)	140 0
CEMENT	
Associated Cement (7) XD	151 6
INDUSTRIES	
Burma (12-8) XD	440 10
Belapur Sugar (9)	222 8
Shivrajpur (1-8)	30 0
Scindia Steam (6-8)	13 2
Premier Construction	92 4
Tata Chemical	11 6
Tata Oil (2)	47 4
Indian Iron (0-12)	28 9
Bengal Steel (0-12-0)	20 0
Bengal India Corp. (0-9)	8 10
Indian Copper	2 3
Wimco	232 8
Alcock	296 14
ELECTRIC SHARES	
Tata Hydro (3)	153 0
Andhra Valley (30)	1441 4
Tata Power (25)	1542 8

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS	
Elphinstone Mills (5)	59 0
Phoenix (50)	151 0
Indian Mfg. (40)	2950 0
Kusba XD	116 4
Colaba (12)	105 0
New City (11)	172 8
Minerva (12)	130 0
Bradbury (12)	520 0
Bharucha Defd. (0.4)	4 4
Bharat Mills (2)	30 0
Mysore (4)	170 0
Madhavji (0-12-0)	14 4
Model Mills (13-8)	158 12
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	632 8
Vishnu Cotton (8)	212 8
Western India (40)	2925 0
Standard (15)	227 8
Sholapur (200)	3150 0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8-0)	18 0
Hindustan Mills (40)	4000 0
Tata Mills (2-4)	52 0
Ahmedabad Advance (9)	240 0
New Ahmedabad	195 0
Sassoon Silk (3) XD	34 8
New Union Mills (0-9	19 2
Madhusudan S. (2-5	35 0
Shrinivas Mills (S)	173 12
Raja Bahadur (4)	60 0
Berar Mills	265 0
Victoria Mills	225 0
ELECTRIC (CASH)	
Ahmedabad Electric (1-2)	130 0
Ahmedabad New	100 8
Surat Electric	133 2
Karachi Electric (2)	136 14
Broach (0-5)	6 12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10 2
Amalgamated	11 2
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	28 8
Poona Electric Supply (8)	136 4
Bombay Suburban (8)	151 4
Bombay Suburban New	144 6
BANK SHARES	
Imperial Bank of India	1782 8
Imperial Bank P. (0-12)	437 8
Central Bank (2) XD	80 12
Central Bank New (1-8)	84 0
Bank of India (4)	168 4
Union (0-3)	7 8
Baroda (2-3)	121 0
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	37 8
United Commercial (1-8)	43 12
Jaipur Bank (18-0)	35 8
Hindustan Commercial	17 0
Mysore Bank (8)	365 0
Eastern Bank (0.14-9)	92 0
INSURANCE SHARES	
Oriental (125)	4720 0
Empire (10)	571 4
New India (1-7)	55 0
Jupiner (0-12)	12 14
Vulvan (0-10)	13 8
Indian Mercantile (0-4)	39 0
Universal	11 4
B I G (1)	15 4
Industrial and Prudential	28 4
Neptune	7 0
All India General	12 12
New Great	25 0
RAILWAY SHARES	
C. P. (1-14) XD	112 0
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES	
Steamer (10)	237 8
Bombay Burma New (5)	148 12
Burma Petrol	1 4 6
Mackenzie (6)	97 0
Port Canning (3)	58 8
Kemp and Co. (20)	300 0
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	125 0
Industrial Invest Trust (5-12)	94 8
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	47 8
Mukund Iron	13 0
Dena Trust (0-12)	14 0
Alembic (15)	146 4
Supreme Industries	72 8
Bombay Uganda	67 8
Bombay Motor Cycle	22 8
Indian Cement (1937)	19 0
Walchand Nagar Industries (B. S.)	143 12
United Motor	28 0
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	775 0
Hydary Construction	19 10
Manamadi Steam	100 0
Gujarat Motor	26 14
Sardar Carbonic XD	700 0
Harvey Press	310 0
Estrella Batteries	30 0
Manmad Press	120 0
National Rayon	51 0
PREFERENCE SHARES	
Tata Steel 1st (6)	198 8
Andhra Valley (7)	1232 8
Tata Power (7-8)	1345 0
Hydro Electric (7)	132 8
Bomoay Steamer (6)	223 12
Central India (5)	653 12
Swedish Mills	130 0
Vishnu Mills (7)	672 8
Laxmi	276 4
New Great Mills (5-8)	220 4
Podar Mills (4)	95 0
Shrinivas Mills	98 0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	106 14
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	316 0
Surat Electricity (3-4)	130 0
Pre. Construction First	106 0
Pre. Construction 2nd Pref.	98 0
Amalgamated	115 0
India	72 0
Tata Chemical	125 0
Walchandnagar	130 0
Jupiter	13 4
Supreme	100 0
Meyer	102 8
Mackenzie First	85 0
Mackenzie (2)	80 0
Ahmedabad Advance	127 8
Mysore Mill	41 0
Standard	99 0
Madhusudan	12 0
Khatau	100 0
Morarji	94 8
National Rayon	74 8
DEBENTURES	
Andhra 1952	103 4
Gula Kajamsingh	8 9
Rubber Planting	17 0
Bombay Steamer	97 0
Indian Hume Pipe	101 0
Tata Power 1951	103 0
Walchandnagar	105 0
OUTSIDE SHARES	
Burma Corporation	2 12
New Victoria	2 2
New Victoria Pref.	4 4
Phalton	118 0
Gold Mohor	305 0
New Kaiser-i-Hind	325 0
Sajjan	121 0
Osmanshahi	230 0
Ajam Shahi	270 0
Air Service	4 0
Air India	56 8
Hind Motors	5 0
India Steam	6 11

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, April 3.

Tata Ordinary 317-8, Tata Deferred 1605, Indian Iron 28-9, Steel Corpn. of Bengal 20, Bombay Dyeing 1038-12, Central India 232-8, Gokak 263-12, Kohinoor 311-14, Simplex 191, Swadeshi 269-6, Tata Power 1542-8, Associated Cement 151-14, Belapur 222-8, Bombay Burma (Old) 440-10, Scindia 13-2, Central Bank 80-12, New India 55, Tata 2nd Pref. 140.

ART SILK YARN

BOMBAY, April 3.

120	Ready	Japan	6 12 0
150	Ready	Japan	5 4 0
120	Ready	Italy	5 10 0
150	Ready	Italy	4 14 0
150	D. Box	April	970 0 0

GOLD AND SILVER

BOMBAY, April 3.

The local Bullion Market was very steady with professional support in the current Settlement The Board has decided in favour of margin for the next Settlement while Bulls are left to dictate any price for the current settlement.

This change in the situation is mainly responsible for the discount of Rs. 3-8 for the next Settlement of Silver It is unfair for the Board to leave manipulations free to exploit the situation and in all fairness margins must be made compulsory on all forward transactions.

The market opened at Rs. 186-8 for the current Settlement and advanced at Rs. 187 on bull support. Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 187 and the next Settlement was quoted at Rs. 183-8. Forward Gold opened at Rs. 115-2 and after declining at Rs. 114-11 rallied at Rs. 114-14 Ready Gold was quoted at Rs. 115-2 and Sovereigns were placed at Rs. 75-8

Later on there was increased liquidation and final quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
Ready Silver	185	10	0
Forward	185	12	0
Ready Gold	114	8	0
Forward	114	8	0

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, April 3.

The produce market was steady with improved demand for Groundnuts while Linseed was quiet local mills are buying groundnuts. Quotations were as under:

GROUNDNUTS			
Khandesh Quality Ready	42	0	0
Madras Coromondal	41	8	0
Bold Ready	41	0	0
Oil Bombay Mills	22	8	0
Oil Upcountry Mills	21	14	0
Oil April delivery	21	14	0
Oil May	22	7	0
LINSEED			
Bold Ready	36	12	0
Small Satna	35	8	0
April-May	35	14	0
Oil	21	8	0
CASTORSEEDS			
Castorseeds Ready	27	6	0
Madras March	27	10	0

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, April 3.

2 1/2 per cent 1954	94 14 0
2 1/2 per cent 1950	100 0 0
2 1/2 per cent 1955	99 14 0
2 1/2 per cent 1961	97 1 0
2 1/2 per cent 1950	99 9 0
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99 4 0
2 3/4 per cent 1973	95 12 0
2 per cent Con. X.W.	97 0 0
3 per cent 1951-54	101 4 0
3 per cent 1952-55	101 11 0
3 per cent 1957	101 9 0
3 per cent 1950-51	101 5 0
3 per cent 1963-65	100 6 0
3 per cent 1966-68	100 2 0
3 per cent 1970-75	100 0 0
2 1/2 per cent 1954-55	104 6 0
3 1/2 per cent 1950-70	110 2 0
4 1/2 per cent 1950-55	100 12 0
4 1/2 per cent 1958-60	110 6 0
4 1/2 per cent 1953-56	112 10 0
PROVINCIAL LOANS	
3 per cent Bombay 1962	99 5 0
2 3/4 per cent C P 1961	97 2 0
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1981	97 2 0
3 per cent Bombay 1955	100 8 0
3 per cent Bombay 1958	100 4 0
3 per cent Punjab 1952	100 0 0
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100 8 0
3 per cent C. P 1952	100 6 0
3 per cent U. P 1952	100 6 0
3 per cent N.W.F 1952	98 2 0
3 per cent U P 1901-68	99 8 0
3 1/4 per cent Municipal 1977	98 10 0
4 per cent B P I long dated	109 12 0
4 per cent Bombay Muni.	109 12 0
5 per cent Bombay Muni 1959	114 0 0
6 per cent Bombay Muni. 1954	113 8 0
6 per cent K. P. T. 1950	113 0 0

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

BOMBAY, April 1.

	Bales
Export by Rail from 1st September 1949 to 30th March 1950	227882
Estimated Mill consumption in Bombay from 1st September 1949 to 30th March 1950	607120
Same period last year	769993
Estimated Stock of raw cotton held by Exporters, Dealers and Mills in Bombay on 30th March 1950	326116
Total stock of raw cotton held by Exporters Dealers and Mills in Bombay on 20th February 1950	272112

Therefore the adjusted stock of raw cotton held by Exporters. Dealers and Mills in Bombay are:—

	Bales.
2nd March 1950	277037
9th March 1950	281466
16th March 1950	289216
23rd March 1950	296982
Same time last year	514805

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, April 3.

Apollo 2|12
B. Dyeing 1047|8 48|12 33|12 38|12
C. India 235 30 32
C. India 235 30 32
Century 238|12
Colaba 105
Finlay 260|8
Gokak 265 62|8 63|8
I. U. Defd 1|14 1|13|6 1|14 1|13|6
I.U. Ord 11|15|6 11|14 11|15|6
Indore 113|12 12|8
Kohinoor 314 8 11
Meyer 88|12
Morarji 150
Sasson Silk 34 34|8
Podar 130|8
Simplex 194 89 91
Svadeshi 271|8 72 68 69
Swan 322|8
Tata Mills 52
Vishnu 212|8
Scindia 13|5 13|0|6 13|2
Baroda 120|8 21
Central 81|12 82 80|12
Central New 83|4 (Ex Div)
Imperial Old 1782|8
Imperial New 437|8
India 168 68|4
Union 7|10 7|8
U. Commercial 43|12
Ahmedabad 130
Ajmer 10-2
Andhra 1443-12 41-4
Hydro 153
Hydro Pref. 131 32-8
Power 1545 41-4 42-8
Power Pref. 1343-12 45
B.I.G. 17
I. Mercantile 38-12 39
New India 55 54-4 55
B. Steel 20 19-15 20-1 20
I. Iron 28-9 28-6 28-9
Tata Defd. 1606-4 10 1592-8 1605
Tata Ord 318-8 15 17-8
Tata 2nd Pref. 139-8 40
Alcock 297-8 96-4 96-14
A.C.C. 153 51-8 52 50-8 51-8
Belapur 224 18 22-8
B.B Old 443-12 38-12 40 38-12 40-10
B.B. New 150-10 48-12
B.B. Petrol 1-4-6
B.I.C. 8-10
Dharamsey 48-8 47-8
I. Copper 2-3
Port Canning 58
P. Const. 94 91 92-4
Shivrajpur 30
Tata Chem. 11-6 11-7 11-6
Tata Oil 47-8 47-4
Wimco 230 32-8 30-10 32-8

SPECIAL
Ahmedabad Elec New 99 100-8
National Rayon Ord. 49-12
B. Suburban Elec. New 144-6.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

Report For Year 1949

The Report of the Central Board of the Imperial Bank of India for the year ended December 1949 as per terms of Regulation 55 (1) of Schedule 11 to the Imperial Bank of India Act and the Banking Companies Act 1949 is as under:—

The usual and necessary provisions having been made, the net profit of the Bank for the half-year ended the 31st December 1949 amounted to Rs. 56,80,818-9-2 which, with Rs. 54,96,-052-3-10 brought forward from the half-year ended the 30th June 1949, makes a total of Rs. 1,11,76,870-13-0.

This sum the Directors of the Bank have disposed of as follows:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
In payment of a Dividend to the Shareholders at the rate of 14 p.c. per annum	39,37,500	0	0
Transferred to Pension Funds	1,97,100	0	0
Bonus to Staff	15,50,000	0	0
Balance carried forward to the Profit and Loss Account	54,92,270	13	0
Total	1,11,76,870	13	0

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, April 3.

B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 Ready.
B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months.
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 31/32 Ready.
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Months.
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month.
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/8 7th-9th Month.
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month.
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month.
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th-9th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month.
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month.
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 1/32 7th-9th Month.
New York B. C. Rate T. T. Rs. 478 1/4 Montreal Rs. 435.
Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 478 1/4 Montreal Rs. 435
Banks Buying T T Rs 475 Montreal Rs. 431 3/4
Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 472 1/2 Montreal Rs 429 3/4
Banks Buying D. D. Rs. 473 3/4 L/C. Montreal Rs 430 1/2.
Paris Banks Selling T. T. Fcs. 7250
Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 7500.
Amsterdam Banks Selling T. T. D D. Fl 79.
Switzerland Banks Selling T. T. D D. Fcs. 90 1/4.
Belgium Banks Selling T T. D. D. Fcs. 1033.
Java Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Glds. 79
Hongkong Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 83 1/4.
Singapore Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 156 3/4.
Manila Banks Selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 238 3/4.

New York/London Cross Rate dol 2.79 7/8 to 2.80 1/8. London/Afghanistan Cross Rate/Afghani Rs. not quoted. London/Alexandria Cross Rate Pia 7 1/4-3/4 London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl 10.63-65 London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl. 35. London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs. 139.90-140.10 London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr 19.32-36 London/Hong Kong Cross Rate 1/2 27/32-1/2 15/16 London/Iran Cross Rate Ri. 89.40-91.00 London/Java Cross Rate Fl 10-63-65 London/Karachi Cross Rate Rs. 2/1-84-2/1.94 London/Lisbon Cross Rate Esc. 80.35 London/Manila Cross Rate Pcs 5.60-5.65. London/Montreal Cross Rate dol 3/07 3/4-3.08 1/4 London/New York Cross Rate dol 2.79 7/8-2.80 1/8 London Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.98-20.02 London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs. 979-981. London/Prague Cross Rate K. not quoted London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/4 1/16 2/4 3/16 London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50. London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs. 12.23-12.26

London Discts 3 Mos. 5/8 p.c.
London Discts 6 Mos. 3/4 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money: Call 3/4 per cent. 3 Mos. 1 1/4 per cent. 6 Mos. 1 1/2 per cent. 12 Mos. 1 3/4 per cent.
Tone: Steady.

FOOD GRAINS QUIET AT HAPUR

(From Our Own Correspondent).

HAPUR, April 1.

Foodgrains markets remained quiet during the week under review. There were arrivals of wheat and gram from last year's hoars even in towns where open markets in rationed grains remain prohibited Prices have tended to trickle down.

Harvesting of the rabi crops in full swing all over the State. It is confirmed that recent rains and hailstorm have caused considerable damage to the standing crops

MONOPOLY PROCUREMENT

The scheme of monopoly procurement of foodgrains has now been enforced. Rabi grains in 36 surplus districts have been bottelled and inter district movements banned. The State will be the sole purchaser but purchases would be made through usual trade channels preferably through trade associations In Hapur Grain Dealers Syndicate would be the sole purchaser.

Prices of different cereals have not yet been announced but it is authoritatively stated that the buying prices would be higher than those of last year. Tentatively the price of wheat has been fixed at 14/- per md. Under direct procurement last year 469074 tons of grain were collected. the Government fear that much less may be procured this year.

The latest quotations in the open market are: Shamli wheat wholesale 17/2 Hapur 16/8 Chandosi 17/4 Kasganj 16/- Gonda 19/10 and Sitapur 19/6. Coarse grains prices in the local market are: maize 14/8 bejhar 11/- and guwar 10/6. The pulses market remained very quiet. There is good demand for peas and prices on that account have remained high. The latest quotations are: arhar 13/- peas 13/12 urd 16/- moong 17/- and masoor 12/8 new 17/-.

GUR MARKET

The market remained steady. Todays quotations are 21/8 to 20/8. Earlier in the week 22/- was also touched Good ready offtake on the part of the stockists and near station exporters in bullock carts have lent good support. There are also speculations about early resumption of inter States movements. Higher prices have attracted good arrivals. But crushing may be over within a week's time although hoarded gur may continue to flow to the markets for some time more. Hapur arrivals averaged 1000 to 1200 mds. daily. Local stock is put at 45000 mds Gur prices in the defunct areas range between 26/- and 28/-. Supplies in those areas are regarded as plentyful.

OILS AND OILSEEDS

The markets remained quiet. Arrivals are in cull swing every where. Stockists and oilmillers are the main buyers. Inter State movements of oils and seeds are still very poor. Most of the mills in the U. P have resumed crushing. The latest quotations are: Sarson 27/- taraseed 27/- groundnut 18/8 to 22/12 mustardoil 75/- linseed oil 63/- til oil 70/- mustard cake 10/4.

BULLION

The market remained steady although there has been no big advance in prices. Bombay reports indicate of good bulls' combine's activities and all upcountry markets are reacting to that. The offtake is generally poor. In the gold section there is very little future business here. Prices have been maintains in sympathy with silver although open markets condition all over the world point to a considerable fall in prices. Ready gold and silver prices in India do not move in parity with other world open markets. The latest quotations are: silver 184/8 gold 116/4.

COUNTERS MOVE UP SPECULATIVE

Jutes And Coals Firm

CALCUTTA, April 3.

The speculative counters were marked up further as the day progressed with good buying and closed at the best of the day. Jute and coal shares also ruled firm. Government securities were unchanged. Following are today's final transactions up to 3-00 p.m.:—

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES:

Three per cent Loan 1986 97, Three per cent Loan 1953/55 101/9/6, Three per cent Loan 1957 101/5 S. O. L., Three per cent Loan 1959/61 101/5, Three per cent Loan 1963/65 100/5 S Lot, Three per cent Loan 1970/75 99/15/6.

BANKS:

Bengal Central Bank 8/2 CT, Hindustan Mercantile 18 S. O. L., Punjab National 25.

COTTONS:

Dunbar Ordy 161/8 S. Lot, Victoria Ordy. 1/14 S. O. Lot.

COALS:

Bhulanbaree 10, Burrakur 12/3, Borrea 27/14, Central India 5, Kalapahari 34/12, New Beerbhoom 13/8, North Damuja 6.9, South Karanpura 24/12, Western Bengal 4/9

JUTES:

Auckland 127, Belvedere 219, Budge 161, Barnagore 197, Champdany 163, Howrah 26/2, Naihati 126, Presidency 5/9, India 147, Kanknarrah 153 S.L., Kunnison 188, National 21/6, Reliance 20/3, Union 208.

ENGINEERINGS:

Brit. Building and Iron 4/14 CT, Brit Engineering 12/14, Burn and Co. Ordy. 246, Indian Iron 28/14, Marshalls 7/4, Kumardhubi Eng. 7/12, Steel Corp 20/4.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Burma Corp. 2/13, Indian Copper 2/5, Tavoy Tin annas eight, Dalmia Cement Ordy 5/10, Sone Valley Cement 5/15, Calcutta Electric 14/7, Alluminium Corp. 4/8, Rohtas Industry 4/9, British Burma Petrol 1/6, Bengal Assam Steamship 161, India Steamship 6/13.

SUGARS:

Carew and Co. 7/9, Sitalpore 3/13.

TEAS:

Bishnauth 34, Dhunseri 8/6, Hasimara 34, Pobong 8/10, Seajuli 27/4.

Russia Wants To Get Berlin

APPEAL FOR FUNDS TO FOIL SOVIET PLANS

WASHINGTON, April 2 (PTI-Reuter).

Present intense Soviet pressure on the west is a sign that the Russians have "immediate hope of success," according to Mr. John J. McCloy, American High Commissioner in Germany.

Mr. McCloy expressed his belief in testimony, made public today by the House Appropriations Committee, on the need for occupation funds especially for education and democratisation.

"I certainly would not be frank with you if I did not convey to you my sense of the real crisis that impedes in Europe," he said

"The Soviets have not abandoned the idea, by any means, of taking back Berlin"

The main task Mr McCloy said, was not to crack down on negative forces, but to build up positive ones. He said positive forces did exist in Germany, forming a basis "on which a solid structure can be built"

"They are putting on the pressure, in my judgement, because they feel their strength and the immediate hope of success

SOVIET POINT OF ATTACK

"Their points of attack are Germany and the Far East, but Germany is still their main goal. With it they feel that they would most effectively shake the hope of democracy in the west.

"The struggle is immediate and intensive. We in Germany feel that we are facing a critical point in history and I think no persons sensitive to the forces which play over Europe today can feel differently."

Mr. McCloy who testified some weeks ago, also commented on the Communist march on Berlin planned for May 28.

He said "we have this situation under careful observation and are determined that regardless of developments no demonstration, juvenile or otherwise, shall deter us from our course and objectives in Berlin"

He said he was "not too concerned about" the march except as an indication of increased Soviet pressure

But he added "the Soviets have not abandoned the idea of taking back Berlin

OCCUPATIONAL FUNDS

Mr McCloy estimated that there were 45 600 German youths in a Communist-sponsored "alert police" force which "in reality is an army without modern or heavy equipment." He urged approval of 30,000,000 dollars for Government in occupied areas in the fiscal year starting on July 1

He said this was the minimum necessary for "the most important and crucial foreign operation facing the United States today.

SHARP FALL IN DYES RATES

HEAVY STOCKS OF SULPHUR BLACK ARRIVE FROM GERMANY

Dyes market which generally used to be an attraction for outsiders has suffered a setback. Sapthols have come down in some cases by Re. 1 per lb. and in some cases As. 0-8-0 per lb. Vat Fast Green B 3200 has a sharp fall from Rs. 162 to 156 i.e. Rs. 6 per lb. Heavy German Sulphur Black shipments have arrived and market has gone down. Sulphur Black German CBO was sold at Rs. 2-8. Simultaneous effect on HK Grains and 692 was noticed. Dull tone in Vat Colours prevailed throughout the week. Improvement in Benzopurpurine has brought the rate to 6-8 from 5-8.

GENERAL

Due to monetary difficulties merchants are being compelled to part with. There is no demand from upcountry parties.

CHEMICALS:

Steady tone prevailed in various Chemicals. There is improvement only in Sitric Acid and Zinc dust and this is due to shortage. Bleaching 1 cwt. pkg. quoted Rs. 35.

RANGOLITE:

Practically no noteworthy transactions for this item. Sellers quote 4-6 but there are no buyers at this rate.

SAPTHOLS	
CAS	9 6
CBS	13 0
CBO	14 4
CSG	18 8
CSW	15 4
Fast Scarlet CKRC Base	12 8
Fast Scarlet CKR Base	14 0
Fast Red CB Base	14 4
Fast Red CKCR Base	13 8
Fast Garnet CKGBC Base	4 12
Fast Yellow CGC Base	8 0
Fast Corinth CB Base	10 8
Fast Orange CKGR Base	9 8
Fast Orange CGC Base	10 8
Fast Bordeaux CGP Base	15 4
Fast Bordeaux CGP Salt	6 12
Fast Scarlet CKR Salt	5 4
Fast Blue CB Salt	6 12
Fast Violet B Salt	15 0
DIRECT COLOURS	
Direct Black Extra	5 0
Direct Green Extra	6 0
Direct Violet Extra	6 0
Direct Yellow 4GL	11 8
Direct Sky Blue Extra	9 0
Direct Rubin	5 0
Direct Orange Extra	7 0
Direct Brown	4 8
Diazo Black Extra	5 0
Crysophenine G Extra	12 0
Benzopurpurine 4B	6 8
Tarquoise Blue G	19 0
Delta Purpurine 5B Conc.	9 0
Congo Red H Dark (56)	4 2
SULPHUR COLOURS	
Sulphur Black 692	3 4
Sulphur Black CBO	2 8
Sulphur Black HK Grains	3 0
Alizarine 20 per cent Paste	150 0
Alizarine 100 per cent Powder	8 0
ACID BASIC & OTHERS	
Methylene Blue Extra	6 8
Metanil Yellow Elephant	2 12
Metanil Yellow Extra	5 8
Methyl Violet Lumps	4 8
Punkaj Magenta MCK Lumps	8 0
Magenta Extra O	9 8
Diamond Green	8 0
Bismark Brown Extra	4 8
Crysodine Extra	4 0
Malachite Green Crystals	7 8
Auramine Extra	7 4
Acid Orange Extra	3 0
Acid Scarlet	4 8
Kumkum Scarlet	8 0
Rhodamine B Extra 500 per cent	24 8
Soap Green	20 0
VAT FAST DYES	
Vat Blue CGD Powder	40 0
Vat Blue RSN Powder	39 8
Vat Dark Blue BO	42 0
Vat Brit. Green B 900	37 0
Vat Brit. Green B 3200 Powder	156 0
Vat Brit. Green B 2100	85 0
Vat Green B Paste	20 8
Vat Magenta B Powder	45 0
Vat Yellow CG	52 0
Vat Olive Grey Powder	20 0
Vat Red Brown	20 0
Vat Violet 4R Powder	60 0
Vat Violet 2R	60 0
Vat Pink R	62 0
PRINTING COLOURS	
Printosol O Conc.	21 0
Printosol CO 4B	30 0
Printosol Green IB Paste	56 0
Golden Yellow IGK	68 0
Rapid Red	15 8
Rapid Orange	16 0
Rapid Blue	18 0
Indigo 60 per cent Grains	4 10
Indigo 60 per cent Grains 1 lb. pkg.	5 4
CHEMICALS	
Bisulphite of Soda	75 0
Turkey Red Oil	45 0
Monopol Napthol Soap	45 0
Sitric Acid	250 0
Soda Bycarb	19 0
Soda Ash Light USA	18 0
Ammonia Bicarb Powder	60 0
Ammonia Chloride	38 0
White Sugar of Lead	150 0
Brown Sugar of Lead	110 0
Tri Sodium Phosphate	45 0
Bleaching Powder	35 0
Nitrite of Soda	74 0
Sodium Sulphide English	34 0
Sodium Sulphide Indian small	33 0
Sulphate of Alumina (Pure)	26 0
Aniline Salt	1 14
Bichromate of Potash	135 0
Bichromate of Soda	75 0
Caustic Soda 1 lb. pkg.	0 6 6
Caustic Soda 450 lbs. pkg.	35 0
Acetic Acid	0 15 8
Zinc Dust	110 0
Borax Crys.	35 0
Formal De Hyde	0 6 0
Rangolite C	4 6

EASIER CHILD BIRTH

Unrestricted Use Of Pethedine Expected In U.K.

LONDON April 3, (UPI): A new regulation, which will permit midwives to give the pain-killing drug, Pethedine to impending mothers so as to bring a step nearer the much craved painless childbirth is expected soon in Britain

As the indiscriminate application of this drug involved a change in the poison register its use was restricted by doctors who did not oppose the ban which exists against its use.

It is, however now generally accepted that except Pethedine, no other drug is known which gives so much relief from pain in the circumstances with the same amount of safety.

Sambasivam Wishes To Return To India

SINGAPORE, April 3. (PTI): Johore police have applied for order of detention for Sambasivam, Indian Trade Unionist who was arrested under the Emergency Regulations at the jail gate on last Saturday immediately following his release on orders from Privy Council.

This was discl

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Home Minister Defends Home Guards

CHARGE OF PRACTISING TERRORISM REFUTED

BOMBAY, Monday.

REBUTTING the charge that the Home Guards of Bombay, were practising terrorism on the public, Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, Government of Bombay, stated in the Bombay Legislative Assembly today. "The violence used by the Home Guards is regulated violence which is according to the law. It is not the same as the violence practised by private persons and parties".

He added, "because I allow the Home Guards to use guns, it does not mean that I can allow the Hon. Member —Mr. Peter Alvares—to do the same".

Stoutly defending the organisation, the Home Minister said that no political or communal bias on the part of the Home Guards had been reported to Government. Whenever any Home Guards committed acts unworthy of the organisation they were expelled from it.

He described the services rendered by the Home Guards as "not only satisfactory, but more than satisfactory."

NO EXPENDITURE

The argument that the appointment of a Commandent General, would entailmuch expenditure, was not correct, as the post was honorary and Government depended on public-spirited citizens for this post.

The whole purpose of the Bill was to bring greater co-ordination between the Police and the Home Guards, for the Home Guards would work under police direction.

Opposing an amendment moved by a Member of the Opposition, The Home Minister said that a lawyer who used his position as a Home Guard for professional interests like securing cases, would be regarded as guilty of misconduct and would be dismissed from the Home Guards organisation. It would be improper for a Home Guard who was a lawyer, even to accept cases which came to his notice while doing his Home Guard duties.

In his reply to the second reading of the Bill the Home Minister said that there was nothing in Home Guards being eligible for elective posts, as they were honorary and voluntary workers. He pointed out that the auxiliary and territorial forces in England could even enter the House of Commons.

The Bill was passed.

EARLIER PROCEEDINGS

For remaining absent from the session of the Bombay Legislative Assembly for sixty consecutive sitting days, Dr. Allibhai D. Patel, Mr. Abdulla Haji Sadwa and Mr. Abdul Razack Azim Quawari were declared to have forfeited their seats.

When the House took up the continued discussion of the Bill to amend the Bombay Home Guards' Act, which was moved by Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, on Saturday, Mr. Peter Alvares, Socialist, opposed the Bill.

He said that the Home Minister was trying to convert the Home Guard Organisation into a body parallel to the police and semi-military in nature.

If this was Government's intention, the proper thing to do was to scrap the whole of the Home Guard Organisation, and suggest to the centre their re-construction into a full-fledged militia.

He was also opposed to the Home Guards being eligible to stand for elections. This eligibility was bound to influence their conduct at election time.

RE-ORIENTATION

Congratulating Government for trying to re-orientate the Home Guards, Dr. K. B. Antrolikar, Congress, said that the Home Guards had proved their usefulness, not only in times of emergency, but even in normal times.

Mr. Fulsingh B. Dabhi, Congress, said that the Home Guards being honorary workers, they could not be debarred from contesting elections.

"For that matter, some of the Home Guards are the Members of this Honourable House", he added.

Mr. K. B. Dandur, Congress, supporting the Amending Bill, said that in recent communal disturbances all over the Province, the Home Guards had helped in restoring tranquillity to a considerable degree. They had done things which even the regular police found it hard to do.

Mr. P. K. Bhapkar, peasants' and workers' party, said that the wide powers which the Bill sought to confer on Home Guards showed that there was something wrong with the Home Guards organisation and there were strong internal conflicts within that body.

He was doubtful if the Bill would not interfere with the Co-ordination of the different unts of the Home Guards. It was also likely to promote unhealthy rivalry between the Home Guards and the Police.

Mr. Tulsidas Jadhav, Peasants and Workers' Party objected to the "fat" allowances, paid to Home Guards.

Mr. R. A. Khedgikar said that to allow Home Guards to enter politics was improper.

Mr. S. L. Karandikar stated that fair elections were impossible if the Home Guards were allowed to participate in elections, they were likely to wield much undesirable influence.

Also, for a Home Guard to contest elections would create a conflict between duty and self-interest, for naturally he would use his powers to influence the voting in his own favour.

Mr. J. H. Shamsuddin said that the powers vested in the Home Guards were the same as those enjoyed by the police and very much more in villages. As such, if it stood to reason that police officers should not contest elective posts, the same should hold good with regard to the Home Guards also.

During question time, the Home Minister disclosed that 189 Head constables and 737 Police constables were dismissed from service during the last three years.

CONGRESS ELECTIONS IN THE STATES

Revised Programme

NEW DELHI, April 3 (UPI)—In a circular to all the Provincial Congress Committees, Shri Kala Venkata Rao, General Secretary, AICC has notified the following revised programme for the conduct of Congress elections in the States.

10th April: Publication of lists of primary Congress members in the respective town, thana, or taluq Congress Committee offices.

15th April: Date by which the provincal election tribunals and the credential committees should dispose of the complaints referred to them.

20th April: Last date by which lists of returning officers from each province should reach the AICC office for approval.

30th April: Date by which the AICC office will finally approve and return the lists of returning officers to the various Provincial Congress Committees.

15th May: Date by which the returning officers will finalise the lists of polling officers.

15th May: Last date for receiving nominations by the returning officers for primary Congress panchayat elections.

16th May: Scrutiny.

20th to 25th May: Date for conduct of primary Congress panchayat elections.

Further programme will follow.

POWER ALCOHOL PRODUCTION

70 Lakhs Gallons For This Year

NEW DELHI, April 3, (PTI): The Target Committee for the power alcohol industry at its first meeting in New Delhi recommended a production target of 70 lakh gallons of power alcohol during the current year, it is learnt. The production attained by the industry during 1949 was 40 lakh gallons.

The target can be raised to 84 lakh gallons for the current year, provided there is no shortage of molasses and transport facilities are improved.

LONDON, April 3 (PTI-Reuter): Russia has sent 94 tractors and 524 combine harvesters with thrashing machines and other heavy agricultural to China, according to a New China News Agency message received here today.

Argentine Minister

Dr. Oscar Taxheret, Ambassador-designate of Argentine in India (centre) and his secretary photographed with Pandit Nehru when he called on him on April 1.

QUESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT

Private Jute Talks With Pakistan

NEW DELHI, April 3 (PTI): Mr. K. C. Neogy, Commerce Minister, said in Parliament today that the Government of India had received a report on the talks that had taken place between certain officers of the Pakistan Government and some representatives of the jute trade in Calcutta and "we are awaiting the response from the Pakistan Government to our message which was sent on February 1 that we will be prepared to have a conference for the purpose of discussing all pending trade questions comprehensively."

Mr. Neogy was replying to Dr. Mono Mohan Das who had asked whether Government's attention had been drawn to reports that certain interests were negotiating with Pakistan for importing 8 lakh tons of jute on a barter basis.

Dr. Das further asked whether it was a fact that the Calcutta Jute Mills Association and certain other jute interests in Calcutta had sent a strong protest to the Government of India against such a barter deal and had pointed out to Government that "four lakh tons of purchased jute have not been released by Pakistan."

Mr. Neogy: Such protests have been received.

NEHRU PROTESTS TO WORD 'BANIYA'

Dr. Mono Mohon Das: Why have Government allowed these "banias" to negotiate this barter deal without consultation with them?

The Leader of the House, Pandit Nehru, protested against such expressions being used against "eminent citizens of this country."

Mr. Neogy said that no consent of the Government was required for the purpose of carrying on informal talks between the jute industry and officers of the Pakistan Government who had been specially charged with the supply of jute from Eastern Pakistan. Mr. Neogy added. "I have already given the answer that the report has been received by Government and I have also communicated the circumstances in which the proposal may be considered by Government.

ANTHONY'S POINT OF ORDER

Mr. Frank Anthony, rising on a point of order, said that if he understood him correctly, the leader of the House had protested against the use of the word "banias" as unparliamentary "I would like to bring to your notice", said Mr. Anthony, "that the other day members of the treasury benches used much more reprehensible language than the use of the word 'bania' and no objection was taken at that time".

The Speaker, Mr G. V. Mavalankar, said amidst laughter that objection should have been taken

STATE AID TO SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

The Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, said in Parliament today in reply to Mr. R. K. Sidhwa that in 1950-51 Government proposed to allot to the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research a recurring grant of Rs. 65 lakhs and a captal grant of Rs. 75 lakhs for construction of laboratories and purchase of equipment. The recurring grant for 1949-50 was Rs. 47.54 lakhs and capital grant Rs. 60 lakhs. No recurring grant was contributed by any state Government towards the national laboratories but some state Governments had made donations of valuable land and fine buildings. The Council had been getting fairly large sums from private sources also.

RESEARCH OFFICIAL'S VISIT TO ENGLAND

Breeze In Parliament

NEW DELHI, April 3 (PTI): There was a slight breeze in Parliament during question time today when the Prime Minister told Mr. H. V. Kanath that the Director of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research visited England recently for two to three weeks for the work of the Department and the Atomic Energy Commission. He was more particularly concerned with the arrangement for the dispatch of equipment from the United Kingdom required for the Fuel Research Institute, Dhanbad and the Central Lass and Ceramic Research Institute, Calcutta.

MR. KAMATH: Is it a fact that the Director was deputed to the United Kingdom before the matter was referred to the Standing Finance Committee which was ultimately faced with a 'fait accompli'?

PANDIT NEHRU: It is likely that the member's information is correct. It was a case of urgency.

URGENCY

MR. KAMATH: What is exactly the urgent work?

PANDIT NEHRU: I regret the Hon'ble Member is persisting in making remarks about the things which he does not know.

MR. KAMATH: I protest against the attitude of the Prime Minister.

PANDIT NEHRU: I am in charge of the Department of the Scientific Work. I think that it is a case of urgency. How can I possibly state in answer to a question about the urgency of the Commission on Atomic Research and other matter. It is quite impossible to deal with it. It has nothing to do with the Standing Finance Committee.

SPEAKER: An analogous point was raised recently when a Minister stated that he exercised discretion in a particular matter, one need not go further into the question. It is a question of urgency and the Hon'ble Minister is entitled to use his discretion.

PANDIT NEHRU: This has nothing to do with the Standing Finance Committee. If people are not to be sent abroad without the sanction of the Standing Finance Committee, the Government's work will have to be stopped.

ECONOMIC FREEDOM FOR AJMER TENANTS

Parliament Passes 36 Clauses Of Bill

NEW DELHI, April 3 (PTI).

PARLIAMENT today spent the entire day discussing the Ajmer Tenancy and Land Records Bill and had passed 36 out of the 205 clauses when it adjourned.

The bill was enthusiastically acclaimed by Pandit Mukut Bihari Lal Bhargava, member from Ajmer, while Mr. Biswanath Das, former Premier of Orissa, was among the mild critics.

Pandit Bhargava said that despite its limitations, the bill was "a landmark in the history of tenancy reform" and a "charter of economic and social freedom to the peasantry and tenancy" in Ajmer. The absence of land survey, he said, stood in the way of the liquidation of the zamindari in Ajmer.

Mr. Mathura Prasad Misra (Bihar) said that the land survey in a little place like Ajmer could be completed in three months. Unless zamindari was abolished throughout India, he added, "India will go the China way".

Mr. Biswanath Das said that any tenancy legislation worth the name must ensure fixity of tenure and fairness of rent. From both points of view the proposed legislation would not be "very helpful" to the people of Ajmer.

Mr. Ajit Prasad Jain said that in some respects the bill was an improvement on the Bihar legislation.

The Agriculture Minister Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, described the measure as an "essential step" towards the abolition of zamindari.

HIGH RENTS

Mr. Biswanath Das concluding his speech, said that the bill did not confer on the tenants the benefits of fixity of tenure and fairness of rent. An inquiry should be immediately instituted to determine the "home farming land" in Ajmer-Merwara. Otherwise, in the absence of any land records, the "istimrardars" would come forward with claims for this land, to the detriment of the interests of the tenants.

The rent fixed by the Committee was high and the provision for payment of rent in kind would give a "weapon to the istimrardars to further oppress the tenants". The tenants should have been given the right to pay the rents prevailing in the neighbouring areas.

Mr. Das strongly opposed the provision vesting the Chief Commissioner with "rule-making powers for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of the act" and said that his 30 years experience showed that officials "always side with the vested interests and do not look to the interests of the underdogs".

VALUABLE RIGHTS

Pandit Mukut Bihari Lal Bhargava (Ajmer) gave "whole-hearted and unqualified" support to the bill despite its "obvious limitations. "The bill", he said, "conferred valuable rights on the long suffering peasantry of Ajmer and should be viewed against the background of local conditions obtaining there". Mr. Das in criticising the bill had not taken into account those conditions, he said.

Referring to the demand for abolition of zamindari in Ajmer, Pandit Bhargava said that certain difficulties like the absence of land records stood in the way of immediately liquidating zamindari. The Advisory Council of Ajmer, however, had already submitted its report to the Chief Commissioner recommending abolition of zamindari.

It was the Chief Commissioner who had delayed sending the report to the Central Government by six months. The administration as a whole was "apathetic" to tenancy reform.

CHINA WAY

Mr. Mathura Prasad Misra (Bihar) said that the Central Government could complete the land survey of Ajmer, a small area no bigger than a district in a province, in three months and abolish zamindari there. But the attitude of the Government towards zamindari abolition was "vacillating and indecisive".

The Central Government even tried to "stand in the way" of the Bihar Government abolishing zamindari in that State. If the Government did not take early steps to abolish landlordism in the whole country "India will go the China way".

Mr. Kailash Pati Sinha (Bihar) was of the view that the bill had not improved the interests or the status of the tenants. For example, he said, the tenants had no unrestricted rights in the matter of growing whichever crop they wanted. The safeguards provided were more for the landlords than tenants.

TENANTS' WELCOME

Replying to the debate, the Agriculture Minister, Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram said there was nothing in the bill to affect the interests of tenants. Subsequent to the report of the Select Committee, as a result of the discussions with members, he had agreed to changes which improved the interests of the tenants.

He was sure the tenants of Ajmer had welcomed the measure and would welcome it. He hoped it would be possible soon to complete the survey work and preparation of land records. The bill, he said, was only an essential step in the matter of abolishing the zamindari. He was sure before long Ajmer-Merwara would be in the same level as other provinces in the matter of abolition of zamindaris.

The House took up clause by clause discussion of the bill.

The House had passed thirty-six clauses when it adjourned till tomorrow.

SAY 'AYE'

The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, said in Parliament today during the second reading of the Ajmer Tenancy and Land Records Bill: "Somebody must say 'Aye'.

Opposition to the bill was unexpectedly lukewarm and apparently lulled into a sense of security, supporters forget to shout "Aye" when Mr. Ayyangar, who was in the chair, put clause two to vote.

On being reminded by Mr. Ayyangar that "Somebody must say 'Aye', the Minister and half a dozen private members quickly responded.

Mr. Ayyangar, however, admitted later that the business of going through the 200 and old clauses in the bill and 350 amendments was "tiresome" to everyone.

Labour Relations Bill Condemned

CALCUTTA, April 3, (PTI): The Working Committee of the United Trades Union Congress, which concluded its two-day session yesterday, condemned the principles and objectives of the Labour Relations Bill and the Trade Union Bill as being "thoroughly reactionary and inimical to the development of a Socialist State".

IN A CHINA SHOP

By Taurus

A MESSAGE from Margherita, Assam, says that two girls—"village belles", says the poetic writer of the item—have asked the Deputy Commissioner to allow them to convene a "congregation of suitors" to enable them to effect a marriage by choice or swayamvara. This has drawn another imaginative scribe into a learned discourse on past swayamvaras and to a lengthy discourse on how Bhishma abducted two princesses on just such an occasion and how Kali tried to mislead Damayanti when she tried to select Nala.

All this is beside the point. The two girls have certainly played their cards well. We do not see why it is necessary to appeal to the Deputy Commissioner, unless they were doubtful of their ability to get the "congregation of suitors" together. Presumably they know most of the young men in the neighbourhood and have made up their minds about the most eligible. But they seem to feel that their value will be enhanced by getting the "willing" together. It is possible that they need police protection for themselves and their young men from the rivals who were rejected. There are other possibilities. But these are good enough.

What is important is that the girls of Margherita now know they have the choice. This indicates progress far beyond anything conceived in the Hindu Code Bill. For this realisation has been long in coming and only some twenty years ago had to be expressed in very cautious ways.

There was a young woman who was insisting that her voice should be the deciding one. Her parents were getting quite desperate as she was not, in the words of her tired mother, getting younger every day; and but for the tolerance of her father, an advanced liberal, she would have been bundled off much earlier. But with a lot of tact the old man managed to persuade her to meet a few young men whom he was calling to the house. The young men came and were turned down. But one of them persisted and unscrupulously won the parents over. He proposed three times, and three times the girl turned him down. This broke his spirit and he decided to call it a day.

But just as he was about to leave, the girl changed her mind. It was unmaidenly to say so but it would be catastrophe to keep silent. With commendable ingenuity, she seized her little brother's slate and wrote on it, "if he proposes a fourth time, I shall say 'Yes'." Since the suitor had been cultivating the brat, the slate was soon in his hands; and everything ended happily. This was as much swayamvara as anything else, only it was done without calling in the Government. But then at that time the Government probably would not have responded.

Razvi Has This Feeling

Police Will Go On Prosecuting For The Whole Of His Life

HYDERABAD, April 3. (PTI).

SYED KASIM RAZVI today told the Special Tribunal trying him in the Shoebullah Khan Murder Case that he had the feeling that "the police will go on prosecuting me for the whole of my life."

The Chairman of the Tribunal had told Kasim Razvi that the Tribunal would be prepared to review their order dismissing his application for the re-issue of notices to three defence witnesses now living in Pakistan to appear before the Tribunal.

Kasim Razvi immediately stood up and said he did not want any re-issue of notices to the three defence witnesses in Pakistan. These two cases —the Shoebullah Khan Murder Case and the Bibinagar Dacoity Case— were pending before the Tribunal and he had the feeling that another case, and yet another case, would be brought against him and the police would go on prosecuting him for the whole of his life, he said. Kasim Razvi said he did not see "any reason why hearing in one case should be postponed because of the other case".

The Chairman replied that the Tribunal felt it necessary to hear both the cases side by side for judicial convenience.

Further hearing in the case was adjourned till Monday, April 10.

Security measures were tightened up at the old British Military Hospital buildings where the Special Tribunal presided over by Mr. J. A. Pinto is holding court.

BROKEN STATUE

NEW DELHI, April 3. (PTI): The arms of the statue of Mahatma Gandhi were broken and the statue also developed cracks in two or three places when it fell down from its pedestal on the night of 20/21 March at Karachi.

Giving this information in reply to Mr. H. V. Kamath, the Deputy Minister (External Affairs) Dr. B. V. Keskar said that the Indian High Commissioner contacted the Pakistan Minister Mr. Ghulam Mohamud and Mr. Shahbuddin and had been assured that the statue would, after necessary repairs, by replaced at the original site as soon as possible.

Lilienthal's Advice On River Projects

NEW DELHI, April 3 (PTI)—The Prime Minister in a written reply said that the advice of Mr. David Lilienthal, ex-Chairman of the U.S. Atomic Commission, had been taken in regard to the Damodar Valley project in India.

The Prime Minister and the Secretary-General met him in the United States and discussed various matters connected with the river valley schemes in India. In view of Mr. Lilienthal's connection with the Tennesse Valley Authority, the Prime Minister said, his advice was useful. He had not been invited to India, but if he should come, the Government of India would be glad to meet him here and discuss various matters with him.

IMPORT OF TEA CHESTS

Action Explained

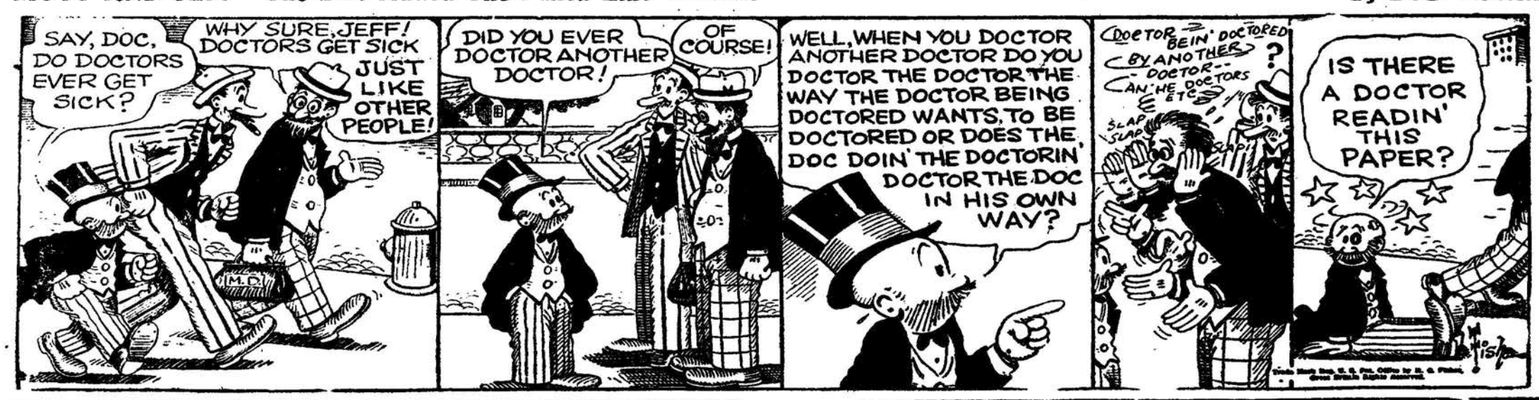
The Commerce Minister Mr. K. C. Neogy told Mr. Damodara Menon that import of tea chests was allowed only to bridge the gap between indigenous production and the country's total requirement and that too on condition that the importers would buy tea chests from indigenous sources to the same extent as the quantity proposed to be imported from foreign countries.

Certain enquiries were made from different countries including Russia for the supply of tea chests and Russia was not in a position to supply tea chests.

A complaint was made a year ago by the United States consumers about the Indian tea chests. The Institute of Standards had now stipulated certain standards of improvement of the indigenous products.

Dr. B. V. Keskar said that orders empowering the Rajpramukh of Travancore-Cochin to issue passports for Ceylon and other foreign countries for the citizens of the Union were under issue. The delegation of these powers was delayed due to certain constitutional and administrative reasons.

MUTT AND JEFF—The Doc Added The Punch Line Himself — **By BUD FISHER**


SAY, DOC, DO DOCTORS EVER GET SICK?
WHY SURE, JEFF! DOCTORS GET SICK JUST LIKE OTHER PEOPLE!
DID YOU EVER DOCTOR ANOTHER DOCTOR!
OF COURSE!
WELL, WHEN YOU DOCTOR ANOTHER DOCTOR DO YOU DOCTOR THE DOCTOR THE WAY THE DOCTOR BEING DOCTORED WANTS TO BE DOCTORED OR DOES THE DOC DOIN' THE DOCTORIN' DOCTOR THE DOC IN HIS OWN WAY?
DOCTOR BEIN' DOCTORED BY ANOTHER DOCTOR— CAN HE DOCTORS ETC?
SLAP SLAP
IS THERE A DOCTOR READIN' THIS PAPER?

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